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INSURGENTS SWEEPING ON SPAIN

SARAGOSSA, TO-DAY.

THE INSURGENTS CONTINUED TO ADVANCE IN ARAGON AND THE SOUTH-WEST CORNER OF CATALONIA YESTERDAY.

The Cina River, previously crossed at Fraga, in the south, was crossed by insurgent troops at several other points further north, and the entire insurgent front, from the Pyrenees to the Ebro River, advanced most of the day.

The town of Barbastro, on the Cinca River, which fell on Monday, is now far behind the insurgent lines.

The Lister and Composino brigades of the International Brigade have been fighting valiantly, but ineffectively, to stem the advance.

FINE WEATHER

The fine weather is allowing the insurgents to make full use of their superiority in technical equipment, and light tanks are playing an important part in the advance, ultimate objective of which is Tortosa, on the Mediterranean coast.—Trans-Ocean.

NANKING-PEIPING MERGER PLAN

Tientsin, To-day.

According to Japanese reports, the new Nanking regime will be merged into the Peiping Provisional Government at the beginning of July.

Mr. Liang Heng-chi, "President of the Executive Yuan" at Nanking will shortly visit "Premier" Wang Keh-min at Peiping, when views will be exchanged between the two heads of the "puppet" regimes.

It is reliably learned the Peiping administration has definitely promised the Nanking regime financial aid to develop the three provinces of Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei, which comes under the administration of the Nanking regime.—Our Own Correspondent.

Chinese Claim Capture Of Vital Yenchow City

Shanghai, To-day.

The most critical phase of the fighting on the Hsuchow front has developed in the last 24 hours as the Japanese, strongly reinforced by troops hastily rushed to the area from Tientsin and Tsinanfu, have stiffened their resistance and are now reported to be holding their ground at most points.

In the Lingyi and Taierchwang sectors, the Japanese have launched heavy counter-attacks in determined attempts to recover strategic positions surrendered to the Chinese in the last few days.

Severe fighting is taking place on both banks of the Yishui River, but all Chinese reports claim that the Japanese attacks have broken down.

Taierchwang remains in Chinese hands despite the tremendous pressure exerted by the Japanese forces, and their casualty list is extremely high. Reports from Hankow indicate that the Chinese troops at Taierchwang are among the best of the newly-trained armies, which have proved themselves in glorious fashion in one of the greatest testing actions of the war.

JAPANESE EFFORT TO STEM TIDE

In an effort to relieve the pressure in Shantung, the Japanese are pouring troops up the southern section of the T.P.R. to Pengpu, while Peiping is sending all available reserves to North Honan.

Meanwhile, the Chinese troops are picking on the weak spots of the extended Japanese line and claim the capture of Yenchow, twenty miles north-east of Tsining.

Direct contact between the Japanese troops at Taierchwang and Tsinanfu has been completely severed by this manoeuvre, and their position threatens to become increasingly precarious.

The Chinese Air Force heavily bombed their concentration yesterday afternoon and also visited the Lingyi zone.—Our Own Correspondent.

PEIPING GUNMEN STILL AT LARGE

Tientsin, To-day.

Interviewed by press representatives in Peiping this morning in connection with the attempted assassination yesterday, Wang Keh-min, "Premier" of the Peiping "puppet" government, stated that he was not astonished or surprised. He was well aware that such an incident would sooner or later occur.

The gunmen are still at large. Investigation has been intensified and house-to-house searches are taking place in Peiping.—Our Own Correspondent.

CHINA EXCHANGE IMPROVES IN SHANGHAI

There was no sign of the panic of the past few days when the Shanghai exchange market opened this morning, sterling being quoted in the open market at 1/0-3/4.

The market held steady for the whole of the session, but a slight easing tendency was noticeable at the close, when sterling declined one-farthing to 1/0-1/2.

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Yes, styles in feminine beauty come and go. But to-day every woman stands her own ground provided that ground is basically well groomed and easy on the eyes of its own particular audience.

But I say that while styles in feminine beauty, influenced by hairdressers, fashion dictators, and big business, may come and go, there is one vogue that goes on forever, the vogue for the well bred appearance, which does not rely upon artifice.

HOLDS HER OWN ANYWHERE

The woman whose appearance reflects breeding, intelligence, and artistic sensitivity always has registered in history and always will. She can hold her own with the sophisticates even, as has been said, "if she were to wear a gunny sack and her hair streaming behind her back."

To-day this well bred type rides high on the wave of beauty popularity. In fact, most of to-day's outstanding personalities are busy women whose time cannot all be given up to the superficial aspects of beauty.

There is time in their programme for care of the fundamental needs of personal upkeep, yes, but they are too busy with other things to have their minds constantly on themselves. They're busy studying dramatic roles, perhaps; learning new languages; fostering social and political movements, and increasing their proficiency in the arts. There is much to know and so many things on which to improve that time cannot be spent fussing about self.

AN ENTERPRISING WOMAN

Understand, this is no attempt to under-estimate the importance of grooming and all that goes with it. It is merely to point out that by now the personal upkeep should fit into a programme that allows time for development of that beauty of face which comes from intellectual and artistic awareness, from strength of character, forcefulness of purpose, and from a keen alertness to life as an increasingly worth while adventure.

One who represents the type of beauty that knows no day or era, the type that survives all other styles, is Hortense Monath, a graceful gray-eyed woman of 28, who has made a name for herself in the concert field as a pianist, but whose well rounded interests embrace a home, a husband, a son, and a large circle of friends.

In addition to these interests she finds time to lend her talents and support to an organization whose chamber music series is making history in its new and fresh approach to the music of the famous composers.

Besides being a successful wife, mother, and hostess, this enterprising young woman finds time outside her domestic circle to electrify concert audiences with her piano renditions. And the music she has studied from childhood has become a necessary form of expression with her. It has enriched her experiences, taken her to the world's great concert halls, opened worlds of new beauty to her, and given her vital interests which make her more interesting to herself and to others.

These preoccupations necessarily require that beauty care have its place in her scheme of living, but not too absorbing a place. The point to be driven home to women now is that there are other worlds to conquer besides the personal upkeep one, and these other worlds are what contribute to the durability and enduring appeal of the type of which we speak.

NOTABLE PIANIST. Hortense Monath's well rounded life includes interest in music, a husband, a son and a wide circle of friends. In this busy programme she finds ample time for grooming, the fundamental kind that is based on common sense and the sensible situal of daily care systematized.

DRESS CONSCIOUSNESS RULED OUT

Miss Monath leans naturally toward simple clothes of good line, fabric, and cut, because they best suit her type and are easiest to keep up. Such things as contribute to dress consciousness are deliberately ruled out. Her hats, while they lose nothing in dash, chic, and uplift of the morale, are chosen for her own particular coiffure.

This frees her from an enslavement to the hairdresser, she explains, every time she changes her costume. If one gown proves successful, she frequently has it duplicated in other fabrics and colours. This gives variety to her wardrobe and saves time and patience in shopping and fitting. She relies on tailored suits, which look as smart at the end of the day as when first put on. She relies, too, on simple, basic day dresses, to which costume jewellery and bright accessories can give infinite versatility and which emerge from under wraps smart and unmussed.

"Certain practices of go[od] ing," Miss Monath explai[ns] they become habitual, require li[ttle] conscious effort and can be cro[wd]ed into a comparatively narr[ow] margin of time. Lotions for hands and oil for the cuticle come automatic routines when hands are washed. For the last makeup which does not require f[re]quent repair a colourless foun[da]tion base is the recommen[ded] choice.

"It boils down, really, to a s[ys]tem in living so that all th[ings] have their proportionately right[ful] time and place."

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INTRODUCING MISS LONDON

Three People Form New Enterprise

Less than a year ago Miss London did not exist, except in the minds of three people, Mr. T. H. Chamberlain, Miss Joan Furse, who became Miss London No. 1 and later Mrs. T. H. Chamberlain, and Mr. C. N. C. Castle. They were thinking about the Coronation visitors, and it occurred to them that it would be a novel idea to have girls as guides to London. Details were gone into, and in a very short space of time Miss London came into being.

The idea grew and expanded. Why only guides to London; why not to England and on the Continent, too? At the moment there are 1,000 names down on the books, twenty-five of these girls have more or less regular employment. Every language in the world, including Chinese and some of the African dialects, is covered by them—and yet next year the demand may still exceed the supply when the scheme will be taken a big step further and Miss London will conduct regular tours abroad as well.

This is a new specialised job for girls where special qualifications are needed. Languages and some travel experience are an advantage, but only essential if Miss London wants to travel abroad. She must be well-educated, but this does not necessarily mean a secondary school education. She must know London inside out, for she will not only have to take visitors to places of general interest, but often to places that are frequently unknown to the average Londoner himself, and be able to talk about all of them without sounding like a guide book.

The first consideration when interviewing an applicant is: How does she carry herself, and can she talk well? Good grooming counts, too, of course; sophistication probably not at all. Different types of girl are required for the different jobs. Miss London is not necessarily young, either. She may range from eighteen to fifty years in age. Older women in many cases prefer someone near their own age as a guide.

There are chances here, therefore, for the girl or woman with personality, tact, common sense, knowledge of one or more languages and some travel experience. If she proves a success she will always find plenty of work; and may eventually, when she is tired of travelling herself, get a permanent job with a fixed salary running a travel agency in England. There are good opportunities, too, for a girl even if she doesn't know languages, provided that she has the other qualifications necessary, for conducting tours for English-speaking people in London and other parts of England. The only thing is that knowledge of a language means more work, more money and the chance to travel.

HER SALARY

There is a standard salary of £1 a day, 15s. a half-day; £1 an evening, with all expenses paid. If a Miss London is very much in demand, she may earn £7 or £8 a week with tips extra from £1 to £5 a day. This is offset, however, by slack periods, when she may only get one or two jobs in a week. In addition a good part of her salary will have to be laid out on clothes, hair beauty treatments, etc.

Now for her actual work, which is infinitely varied. At 10 a.m. she may be ready to take some visitors from the provinces round the shops. She will have to know exactly where to go for different

JOAN FURSE. Miss London No. 1 and one of the three originators of the scheme.

things, and, if necessary, give her client helpful advice when shopping. At 2.0 p.m., perhaps, she is starting out to take a French family sight-seeing, and in the evening she is dancing and dining with a party of Americans, anxious to see something of London's night life. Incidentally, she comes off duty at 12 midnight and her total salary for the day will be 30s. for two half-days, £1 for the evening, plus any tips.

Of course, few days will be quite as strenuous as that. She may only have a morning or an afternoon and the evening. Another day she may spend the morning at the Zoo with some kiddies, while their parents amuse themselves elsewhere. In the afternoon she will discuss art and archæology with a foreign professor, as she takes him to the museums and art galleries, and her evening may be devoted to entertaining a bored American business man. The next day perhaps she is sent off to Oxford or Cambridge with a party of foreigners. Again, at a moment's notice she may be sent to Paris with an elderly Englishwoman, rather nervously making her first trip abroad.

REFERENCES HEEDED

Every precaution is taken, of course, to ensure that the clients are quite respectable. Full particulars have to be given and a reliable reference must be supplied. In every case Miss London carries a return ticket with her and sufficient money to cover incidental expenses, so that there is no danger of her being stranded.

Each girl has an index card bearing full particulars about her and a photograph to avoid confusion, especially when names are the same or similar, and great care is taken to choose exactly the right girl for each job. The beginner starts with London. If she shows promise and is keen, she will graduate to England, from there to France and Belgium, and then farther afield. . . . Her training starts with her work. Each fresh job brings some new experience, which contributes towards it.

For the girl who hates a dull routine job, who is willing to work hard, too, is interested in people and places and has always longed to travel, it is a marvellous opportunity. There are disadvantages, of course. It is still largely a seasonal job—and no work means no pay. The same applies if she is ill, too. Her time is not really her own. She may always have to cancel appointments at the last minute to go to a job. At a busy time she can't afford to slack. She has to be on the go all the time and appear bright and entertaining however she may be feeling, but if she has the right spirit of adventure and really loves her work, she won't mind the disadvantages.

TACT AND PATIENCE

The scheme is being run on the assumption that girls frequently make better guides than men. They are more tactful, more patient, especially when dealing with nervous members of their own sex. Many women who have never travelled before feel more at home with a girl in charge of the party.

It's up to Miss London herself to show that the modern woman is as well equipped as a man to deal with every travel emergency. In fact, not only her own personal success, but also the success of the whole venture will depend entirely upon Miss London herself. She must be genuinely keen on her job, a good talker and a good listener, and have infinite tact, patience and common sense, a complete lack of nerves, and yet sufficient imagination to be able to understand fear in others. If she has all these things, combined with a determination to succeed, there is a great future for her in the sphere of modern travel.

POLKA DOTS. Black and white polka dots on mousseline de soie fashions this enchanting dinner dress worn by Rosalind Russell, M.G.M. actress. Designed by Dolly Tree, it combines black velvet to add a note of contrast at the wrist and high neckline. The long full sleeves carry out the long full skirt motif. The tight-fitting bodice has ting fabric buttons down the front.

FUTURE WEDDING

The forthcoming wedding has been announced between Miss Kung Chuk San, residing at 61 Hill Road, and Mr. Wong Peng Ho probationer sanitary inspector, living at 331 Lai Chi Kok Road, Shamshuipo.

REGISTRY NUPTIALS

CHENG-SZETO

The marriage was solemnized at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday, between Miss Jeanne Szeto, daughter of Mr. Szeto Yau, retired merchant, and Mr. Warren Cheng, son of the late Mr. Cheng Sheung.

The ceremony which was performed by the Deputy Registrar, Mr. W. A. Jones, was witnessed by Mrs. Chan Yuen-chun and Mr. Wong Ah Kai.

The bridegroom is a merchant residing at 18 Hillier Street.

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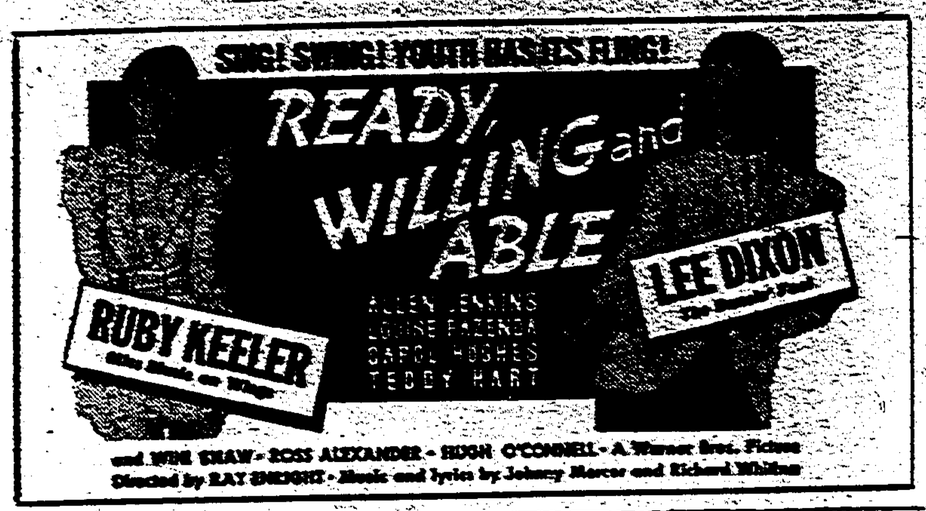

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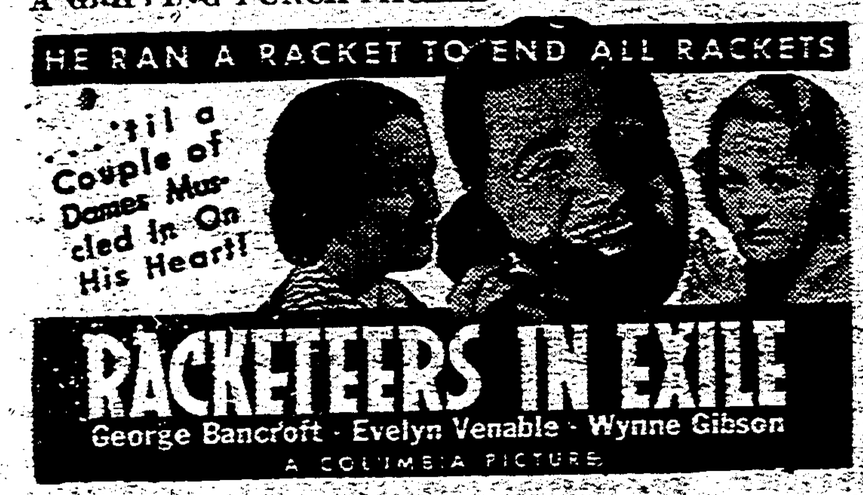

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INTENSIFIED AGITATION IN PRAGUE: DEMAND FOR GENERAL ELECTION

Prague, To-day.

Developments in the Czecho-Slovakian Parliament took a dramatic turn yesterday when, on the lead given by the Hungarian minority group, all the non-Czech groups presented a united front of opposition to the Government's policy and demanded autonomy for the Germans, Hungarians, Poles and Slovaks.

After Ernst Kundt, one of the leaders of the Sudeten Party, had demanded holding of a general election and autonomy for Germans and Hungarians, a sharp attack was launched on the Government by the Polish minority.

ELECTION DEMAND

In demanding immediate holding of a general election in Czecho-Slovakia, Ernst Kundt declared that an entirely new situation had arisen by absorption of the minor German parties in the Sudeten group.

Herr Kundt said that if the Czech Government really intended to gain the confidence of the Sudeten Germans, it would first have to prove itself worthy of this confidence by upholding the existing laws and by fulfilling the democratic duty which under the circumstances, demands the holding of a general election.

NO MAKESHIFT

"Do not count on makeshift solutions, or on the forbearance which we might not be able to bring in unison with the responsibility we owe our people," he declared.

"Do not forget your responsibility towards your own people and towards Europe. Back of us stand the solid block of Sudetens.

"Let there no longer be any doubt in your minds. Only a thorough going and courageous solution of the national problem in this state will be able to guarantee enduring peace at home and abroad."—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL CINEMA ATTENDANCES IMPROVE

That cinema attendances have shown a marked improvement recently was revealed by Sir Shouson Chow at the annual meeting to-day of the China Entertainment and Land Investment Company.

Presiding, Sir Shouson Chow said:

Owing to the large influx of refugees from China as a result of the hostilities in North and Central China local cinema theatres have benefited from additional patronage, and there has in consequence been a marked improvement in their business. I am therefore pleased to inform shareholders that the balance of our working account shows an increase of approximately 20 per cent. over that of the previous year. Considering the high rentals paid by the cinema theatres to the film distributors and the keen competition among the theatres themselves as well as from various other attractions such as Chinese theatrical performances and the dancing halls, I think you will agree that the Company has done as well as could be expected and that the year's working can be considered to be satisfactory.

OFFICES FILLED

Coming to our Land Investment Department, it gives me pleasure to report that all the shops and offices in our building have been fully occupied throughout the year at reasonable rentals, in spite of the fact that accommodation in so many other buildings was available.

Turning to the accounts, I would draw attention to the item of $10,210.52 written off from Investment A/C. This is the balance from the Cinemas Ltd. which formerly operated the Queen's Theatre, and with this final writing off the account is closed.

The amount written off fixtures, equipment and building is $34,183.90, after which the balance of nett profit for the year is $67,765.66, to which must be added $4,515.93 balance brought forward from the previous year, making the total amount available for distribution $72,281.59. Your Directors recommend placing to General Reserve $25,000 and payment of a dividend of 40 cents per share, absorbing $39,943.20, leaving a balance of $7,338.39 to be carried forward to next account.

Mr. Sun Wing-kwong seconded the adoption of the report and accounts which were unanimously adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Chiang Kwai-chong and Mr. Chang Kai-yuen were re-elected to the board of directors. Messrs. Percy Smith Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors.

Sir Shou-Son Chow Kt. was in the chair and was supported by the following Directors: Dr. Tso Seen-wan, Messrs. Liang Chi-hao, Chang Kwai-chong, Chang Kwai-yuen, George Y. Sun, Li Lin-chi and Chang Kwai-lin.

The following shareholders were also present: Messrs. Ngan Sai-leung, K. P. Chang, Sin Wing-kwong and Li Lan-choong.

SCHUSCHNIGG REPORTS DENIED

Vienna, To-day.

Foreign press reports that the ex-Austrian Chancellor, Dr. Schuschnigg, will be tried by the Supreme Court of the Reich at Leipzig, are, Trans-Ocean was informed by authoritative quarters here yesterday, unsubstantiated by the facts.

"No decision of any kind has been reached by anyone in this matter so far," it was declared.

Trans-Ocean's informant added that it is unlikely the matter will be dealt with for some time to come.—Trans-Ocean.

GENERAL VAUGOIN ARRESTED

Vienna, To-day.

General Carl Vaugoin, former Austrian War Minister, was arrested here yesterday.

General Vaugoin is said to have been involved in the failure two years ago of the Phoenix Insurance Company, of which he was Vice-President.—Trans-Ocean.

Great Optimism In Anglo-Italian Deliberations

Milan, To-day.

That relations between Italy and Britain have now been placed on an entirely satisfactory footing, and that there is great optimism over the prospects of a successful termination to the negotiations now proceeding in Rome, is the statement made by the semi-official newspaper, "Popolo d'Italia."

Examination of questions that concern both powers has made important progress, the paper says, and has been extended to include mutual interests in the Mediterranean and Red Sea.

Now that the talks between Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and the British Ambassador Lord Perth, have cleared the atmosphere, responsible quarters in Rome also share the hopes of a final agreement entertained by the British Prime Minister. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH REPORTS

Paris, To-day.

May 2 has been set as the date for the signing of the Anglo-Italian agreement, states the usually well-informed foreign correspondent of "l'Oeuvre".

The agreement will contain, according to the writer, a statement to the effect that Britain recognises Italian sovereignty over Abyssinia and a declaration concerning the Spanish problem in which Italy will renew her pledge in respect of the independence of Spain and agree to withdraw her troops in the same proportion as other foreign Powers do so.

RED SEA

"Excelsior" states that Italy will be granted free right of passage through the canal and mutual agreement in respect of the interests of other foreign Powers in the Red Sea will be concluded, this being a common route to both British and Italian possessions.

As regards Abyssinia, the same paper asserts that British and Italian diplomats have agreed on the exact geographical boundaries of the country and that recognition of the Italian Empire will be fundamental, although bound up for the time being with the Spanish problem.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. ARMY APPROPRIATION

Washington, To-day.

The House of Representatives yesterday passed the Appropriation Bill, voting $448,000,000 for the army in 1939.

The sum represents an increase of $33,000,000 over the present year.—Reuter.

CAPE YORK'S MISBEHAVIOUR

(By "RAPIER")

Whilst taking out Gobi Star, a 1938 subscription griffin belonging to Mr. E. S. K. for its trial gallop this morning, "Johnny" Bill Kitroff, the Russian Riding Boy engaged by the Kong Stable was thrown near the 1½ miles post.

Fortunately, he fell without injuring himself, and he was able to ride again; during the morning. The pony returned to the stable, but was taken back to the rider near the six furlongs post.

Cape York, a 1938 Australian Griffin, which has been acquired by Mr. W. H. S. Davis, was responsible for yet another misbehaviour, which resulted in Mr. D. Spreckley experiencing some anxious moments. When nearing the 1½-mile post, the pony jumped the rails in an effortless manner. Luckily it got clean over, otherwise serious injuries might have been suffered by both pony and rider. Mr. Spreckley, who showed remarkable coolness, brought the pony back to the sand track and completed the gallop.

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL'S PARIS TALKS

Paris, To-day.

Mr. Winton Churchill left here last night for London following a visit of several days during which he conferred with the Premier, M. Leon Blum, the Foreign Minister, M. Paul Boncour, the Defence Minister, M. Paul Daladier, the former Premiers M. Camille Chautemps and M. Flandin, as well as with the Secretary-General at the Foreign Ministry and the French Chief of Staff, General Gamelin.

While speculation as to the reason for the visit and extensive conferences is rife, the London correspondent of Le Jour, states that the principal object was to express the feeling of uncertainty on the part of the British Government regarding the effectiveness and development of the French air force. British experts, it is stated, are deeply impressed by the French Army but the same can scarcely be asserted of the French air arm.—Trans-Ocean.

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SULTAN OF MUSCAT

London, To-day.

The Sultan of Muscat, who is on a visit to Britain, yesterday called at the India Office and was received by the Marquiss of Zetland, Secretary for India.

Earlier the Sultan laid a wreath on the Cenotaph.—Reuter.

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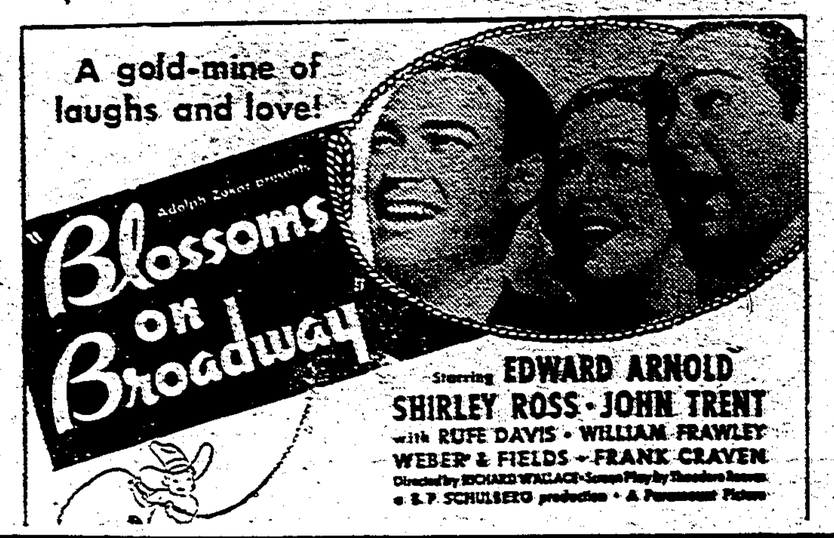

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BRITISH NEGOTIATIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICA ON FUTURE OF PROTECTORATES

London, To-day.

A statement on the present phase of the negotiations between the British Government and the South African Union regarding the future of the native protectorates of Nyasaland, Bechuanaland and Basutoland, was made by Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Dominions Secretary, in the House of Commons yesterday.

The British Government, he said, concurs with the South African Government in regarding transfer of these territories as the final goal, but still believes that this transfer should not take place until the wishes of the natives have been considered, or before the British Parliament has been given an opportunity to express its view.

Under these circumstances, the South African Premier, General Hertzog, had co-operated with him in seeking the best practical solution.

It had been decided to establish a permanent advisory committee composed of three representatives of the South African Union and the three resident commissioners in the protectorates.—Trans-Ocean.

PALESTINE TAXICAB OUTRAGE

Jerusalem, To-day.

The body of a fifth victim, riddled with bullets, was found on the scene of the ambush where yesterday Arab brigands attacked a taxicab on the Safad-Acre road.

Anxiety is felt regarding the fate of a girl who is believed to have been kidnapped by brigands.
—Reuter.

CONFERENCE PURPOSE

Two developments in connection with the South African High Commission Territories were announced in the Commons by the Dominions Secretary. He said in extension of the co-operation between the Union and the United Kingdom Government, it had been agreed to constitute a standing joint advisory conference, whose functions it would be to study openings for co-operation between the Union Government and the Administrations in matters affecting the development of the Territories and to consider any matters of joint concern to the Union and Territories, such as the prevention and control of animal diseases, the marketing of produce, the prevention of bubonic plague, and other matters.

The establishment of the Advisory Conference would not, of course, affect the present responsibility of the United Kingdom Government for the Government of the Territories.

UNION MEMORANDUM

Secondly, Mr. Macdonald stated that it had been arranged that the Union Government should prepare a memorandum with a view to making it clear to the peoples of the Territories the terms on which the transfer, if decided upon, would take place. Such terms would naturally follow closely the provisions of the schedule to the South Africa Act, but it had seemed important to General Hertzog and himself that the Union Government should set them out in convenient and more complete form, so that the peoples of the Territories might appreciate the conditions under which the Territories would be governed in the event of the transfer and the position regarding the maintenance of the tribal institutions of the natives, the economic advantages which the Union anticipated would accrue to the peoples of the Territories and any other relevant matters.

PRACTICAL COURSE

These announcements followed an intimation that the opportunity of General Hertzog's London visit for the Coronation had been taken for further exchanges on the subject of the High Commission Territories which had been continued since. These had resulted in a common recognition of the principles already proclaimed on previous occasions by both sides, and on that basis Mr. Macdonald and General Hertzog had been jointly studying "what is the best and most practical course to pursue."—British Wireless.

GUNFIRE NOW REPORTED TO BE AUDIBLE IN BARCELONA

Claim That Advance Is Held Up Near Fraga

BACK TO THE WALL PROCLAMATION BY REPUBLICANS

Barcelona, To-day.

People in the suburbs of Barcelona claim they can hear the sound of gunfire from the front.

Meanwhile, the Catalan Government is exhorting Catalans to mobilise all their forces and summon all energies to defend their territory from the invader.

It is claimed that the easy advance of the insurgents across the plains to the Cinca River has been held up by desperate Government resistance in the neighbourhood of Fraga.

Army corps commanders have issued a proclamation declaring: "Once again, in very grave circumstances, our soldiers know their duty, and are writing in blood the heroic rally cry of 'Die, rather than retreat.'"

The press is calling for 100,000 volunteers and construction of fortifications behind the front and around Barcelona.

"RESIST AND FIGHT"

The Spanish Premier, Dr. Juan Negrin, declared in a radio address yesterday: "We have decided to prolong our resistance. We feel we are strong and we ask for confidence in the heroic fighters and the civil population.

"Our only course is to resist and fight."

The Premier attacked the democratic powers of Europe, declaring "They do not wish or do not want to help us against foreign aggression."—Reuter.

BARBASTRO SET ON FIRE

Salamanca, To-day.

The ancient cathedral city of Barbastro was occupied by the insurgents yesterday after the city had been completely destroyed by fire by the Republicans, states a radio broadcast from Salamanca.

Many bodies are alleged to have been found among the ruins.—Reuter.

BLOODY CLASHES

Saragossa, To-day.

Insurgent troops entered Catalan territory for the first time yesterday when General Yague's Moroccan army corps crossed the border after the capture of Fraga.

In some parts of the Aragon front the insurgents now claim to be only 40 miles from the Mediterranean coast.

Fighting yesterday was featured by bloody clashes between the International Brigade and the insurgent Spanish Legion.—Trans-Ocean.

FALL OF LERIDA PREDICTED

Saragossa, To-day.

The ancient town of Lerida, regarded as one of the most strongly fortified Republican cities and the base for Government operations in Catalonia, is about to fall into the hands of the insurgents.

Aviators returned to their aerodromes behind the insurgent front lines yesterday reporting that dozens of white flags are flying in the town.

Two insurgent columns are now closing in on Lerida, which is not defended by Government forces, and its occupation without fighting is expected at any hour.—Trans-Ocean.

FIVE HUNDRED MEN DOWN WITH TONSILITIS

Honolulu, To-day.

The American aircraft-carrier "Lexington," which is participating in the war manoeuvres in the Pacific, has put in here because 500 men are suffering from tonsilitis.

The patients are remaining on board.—Reuter.

THE SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC

There were 131 deaths from smallpox in the Colony in the week ended on March 26. In this period a total of 132 cases were notified, of which 68 were in Victoria, 58 in Kowloon, two in Shaukiwan, two in Aberdeen, one in the new Territories and one in the Harbour.

In the last 24 hours, twenty fresh cases were reported. Sixteen were in Victoria, two in Kowloon and two in Aberdeen.

Ninety-six deaths from tuberculosis were reported to the Health Authorities in the past week.

SHANGHAI MAN'S ESTATE

Local estate, sworn under $7,500, was left by the late Mr. Alexander Ritchie Wood, alias Richard Wood, journalist, formerly of Hungjao, Shanghai, who died on March 22, 1937, at Rossie Island Road, Montrose, Angus, Scotland.

An application by Mr. H. J. Armstrong for sealing Confirmation (nominate) of the Executor to the estate, has been allowed.

SUBMARINE INCIDENT COMPLAINT

Salamanca, To-day.

An insurgent statement yesterday criticised the French Government for allowing a submarine which has been under repairs at Bordeaux to be returned to the Spanish Government.

The insurgents say this action was contrary to international law.—Reuter.

NOT ADEQUATE EXCUSE FOR BOMBING

London, To-day.

The British Government could not regard General Franco's reply to the British protest regarding bombing of Barcelona as adequate justification for the bombing, in view of the exceptional loss of life and injury to the civil population, declared the Prime Minister in the House of Commons in answer to a question yesterday.

However, Mr. Chamberlain added, the Government was glad to note that no further bombing of Barcelona had occurred since the recent communication sent to Gen. Franco.—Reuter.

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ALLEGATIONS AGAINST FRANCE

London, To-day.

A protest from General Franco over alleged French intervention in Spain was lodged at the Foreign Office in London last evening by the Duke of Alba, Gen. Franco's representative in the British capital.

The protest contains a list of munitions and war equipment which it is alleged has been taken over the frontier into Spain at various dates.

Between January 1 and March 20 of this year, it is asserted, 2,308 volunteers, 135 lorries loaded with ammunition and 174 aeroplanes, have been sent to Republican Spain from France.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH PLANES NEAR FRONTIER

London, To-day.

Fifteen of the most modern French fighting planes suddenly appeared in the neighbourhood of the Franco-Spanish frontier near Perpignan reports the "Daily Express" from that centre.

The French authorities refused to give the "Daily Express" correspondent any information about the purpose of the appearance of these planes at Perpignan.—Trans-Ocean.

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Do Other People Think You're Crazy!

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TAKE A LOOK AT YOURSELF

Do you belong to the type this psychologist writes about to-day?

Here he tells of the streak that makes the world's great haters.

I WONDER do you realise this!

That if life is too much for you and you do have a complete "mental breakdown" — let's be frank and cut out the silly euphemism and say you become insane — do you realise that there are three types of breakdown that you may have?

Here I shall tell you about persecution-mania — paranoia is its right name.

To-day I shall deal with this type of breakdown alone.

How can you tell whether you are that type?

You are what they call "difficult." You are no "mixer" — your social intelligence is poor.

But the three things that give you away are: your suspiciousness of other people, your conceit of yourself, and with it all-despite your conceit—a twinge of "inferiority-complex."

You are not sure of yourself. You feel a failure.

When things go wrong, you blame other people. You're a "blamer."

Of course, your boss has a "down" on you.

Of course, your competitor in business "has it in for you."

Of course, your rival in the marriage-market is "acting cattier than any cat could act."

We all feel that way at times.

When a professional psychologist has got it, he'll say, "I'm feeling a bit persecuted to-day."

It's only when the attitude is habitual that the soil for paranoia is there

* * *

Do you know, insanity is just an exaggeration certain tendencies that you find in every normal person?

At one end of the scale is the tendency of you and me to swear and blame our faults on somebody or something else—just as a child kicks the chair for getting in the way of his shins.

At the other extreme, this happens.

It happened to a very good friend of mine. A brilliant lawyer with political ambitions.

He was terribly ambitious. He wanted to amount to something big, but he just couldn't "make the grade."

He had to blame it on someone. Of course, someone was afraid and jealous of him and trying to "do him down."

When people try to "do you down," it must be because you are very superior person.

Eventually he was having "grandiose" delusion: he was a new Messiash on earth.

My friend was a full-blown isane paranoiac. Another brilliant brain wasted to the world.

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Some of the great geniuses had this streak strongly, but they were geniuses because they had it under control.

People like Napoleon, Beethoven, Issac Newton, Julius Caesar, Schopenhauer, Stringberg, the famous Scandinavina playwright Woodrow Wilson.

This type is always aggressive with a fighting atitude.

He is never a quitter (it is usually a man.) Unfortunately, he can do the world as much harm as good.

"PERSECUTED" NATIONS

Whole nations, too—like individuals—can become neurotic and "persecuted," and for the same reasons.

These reasons! What are they? Almost anything.

Physically weak or ugly men may get that way.

Some men and women feel they are sexually inadequate and become affected.

For some reason or other, the paranoiac is usually a man, is more often lean than fat, and very often his brains are well above the average.

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When nations get the conceit, plus suspiciousness plus inferiority-complex attitude, they invariably choose a leader—a dictator—with the same complex.

In times of turmoil and despair, the semiparanoiac—just not crazy enough for the "looney-bin"—comes into his own.

This is his big opportunity.

He offers "grandiose" plans, big ideas, the magic formula that will enable them to swell out their chests again.

They believe implicity in him because they want to—so badly.

In less than no time he supplies them with what they want—a scapegoat.

Someone to blame: Jews or Catholics or Negroes or Freemasons or some convenient minority.

Someone to blame and someone to vent their hate on.

For the paranoiac is the world's grandest hater.

That is why he is so dangerous—practically all political assassins have been this type.

He is destructive.

Civilisation is built mainly on love rather than hate.

Christ was the first to discover and teach that.

* * *

If your personality is the aggressive nonquitter, "blamer" type, keep these things in your mind for your own good.

Realise your limitations from the beginning and don't waste time or lose your confidence, trying to do the things you're not cut out for.

Get the habit of analysing how you react to disappointment or failure.

Even if you find it convenient to put the blame on the other fellow, don't for a minute kid yourself that it is really his fault when it isn't.

BE NICE

If you can't get on with people, choose a job where you don't have to.

Or choose a subordinate or partner or wife who can do your "mixing" for you.

Or cultivate deliberately a technique of being nice to people.

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If you're dealing with a suspicious, difficult paranoiac person, don't waste your time arguing. Humour him and let him feel important.

Take his delusions or ideas for granted and try to draw different conclusions from them.

I have made dangerous man-killing paranoiacs practically eat out of my hand because I realised what they wanted to feel was that they really "mattered."

You can do exactly the same.

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Remember that the paranoiac type is the type that is most likely to achieve success (we're not discussing happiness now) in life.

But you must know yourself and act accordingly.

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LORD SNELL'S CONDEMNATION OF CHAMBERLAIN POLICY

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Lord Halifax Claims Support Of Public Opinion

London, To-day.

The principles on which he would seek to see British policy based, were defined by the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, replying to the debate on foreign policy in the House of Lords yesterday.

Lord Halifax said: "We must preserve our own democratic institutions, individual rights and liberties, seek to uphold our beliefs abroad, prevent division of Europe into rival camps and use our good offices to promote conciliation.

"We will be judged abroad, not by our policy or Government, but by ourselves, if as a pation we can convince others of our moral and material strength and that our policy will succeed.

"If not, no policy, however skilfully devised, will bring salvation."

Earlier, Lord Halifax declared the Government would continue to use all its influence to see the policy of non-intervention in Spain adhered to during — and, what was not less important — after, the civil war.—Reuter.

LABOUR ATTACKS

London, To-day.

Lord Snell (Labour) advocated a policy of collective security, and other Labour Peers attacked the Government's foreign policy.

The Archbishop of Canterbury said that collective security was not possible at present. He described the Austro-German reunion as inevitable and thought it would prove a contribution to European stability.—Trans-Ocean.

LIVING FROM DAY TO DAY

London, To-day.

The House of Lords debated the statement by the Foreign Secretary last Thursday which was in identical terms with that of the Prime Minister's in the Commons. The Opposition Leader, Lord Snell said they believed that peace was the reward of right and clear thinking. The Government appeared to live from day to day by political accommodation for the hour without any long range policy. No-one could say the Government was committed to any immediate policy for political, economic or territorial appeasement.

Unless they had a policy which was creative, accommodating and readjusting, the country would not escape the dangers which threatened ahead.

Lord Snell said the Labour Party was anxious to do its share to help the Government in a time of crisis but they wanted to know where they were going and he declined to promise their co-operation until they knew that.

LEAGUE'S FUTURE

He asked the Government to take strong and continued action to rebuild the League of Nations. The Government would then not only have a united nation behind them but the support of the whole civilised world.

The Archbishop of Canterbury thought it was easy to say rebuild the League, but they could not rebuild on broken foundations. He had most reluctantly come to the conclusion that collective security was impossible. The suggestion that the Government should call a conference of countries sharing their policy would create the danger of rival alliances and prejudice the chances of success in establishing better relations with Germany and Italy.

Lord Cecil found the Government's declaration inadequate to meet the situation and complained that they had no constructive policy in regard to the League of Nations except a policy of despair.

SAMUEL'S VIEW

Lord Samuel thought that the Government ought not to accept armed pacific opportunism — which involved the expenditure of millions of pounds daily with a prospect of an increase — as a permanent policy, although they might regard it as the only one possible at the moment, and he urged that when the present acute problems had been solved, it would be the duty of Britain to go back to the policy of collective security and once more build up the League of Nations with a less ambitious programme as to penalties but a wide programme for settling grievances.

LORD HALIFAX'S CLAIM

The Foreign Secretary replying to the debate said it had served, on the whole, to confirm the favourable impression made in nearly all quarters, both at home and abroad, by the Government's statement last Thursday. In all the Dominions, as in Prague and as in Paris, and he thought in every foreign country, the Prime Minister's statement had received the same approval that it had received from the bulk of public opinion at home.

The Government, while adhering to all its treaty obligations and while ready and anxious to reassert its acceptance of the responsibilities of the Covenant and its determination to the limit of its powers to fulfil them, was not prepared to accept a few and uncertain commitments which would have made the participation of its people in a war dependent upon the decision of a Government other than its own.

FIRELINE IN FOREST

At the same time, public opinion also realised that no nation cutting, as it were, a fireline in a forest could set limits over its action, and, with all that in mind, it was not prepared to see this country let go its constructive efforts by whatever means might, from time to time, seem most promising to find a solution for the questions which might jeopardise European peace.

Lord Halifax proceeded to criticise the recent manifesto of the National Council of Labour and said the manifesto seemed to him an example of the intellectual gulf which those who spoke for Labour always concerned themselves to dig between themselves and the majority of public opinion which had generally endorsed the Government statements of policy.

The Manifesto called for a reversal of the Government's policy towards the Spanish civil war but the Government would continue the policy of nonintervention. As to the suggestion for calling the League Assembly, if he saw any useful purpose in so doing he would, but the Government could not support any such policy.

LEAGUE'S SCOPE

It was obvious that the League could only, either pass resolutions which would have no effect, or endeavour to bring the forces of its members together in a defensive alliance and that would only make hostile nations more determined.

"If we are to succeed, we must be reasonable. If we maintain all our old friendships and if we can extend the circle of our friends, as I believe we can, through our conversations with the Italian Government and by resuming old relations which unhappily have been temporarily interrupted, we shall render a real service to the Commonwealth.

SOLID BACKING

No Government, said the Foreign Secretary, could hope to formulate and execute a foreign policy without the solid backing of the nation and no policy was worth much unless the people of the country were inspired by a resolute determination to accept whatever sacrifice was necessary to make the policy succeed. —British Wireless.

—MUSSOLINI— SPEECH

Rome, To-day.

Signor Mussolini will make an important speech on the defence budget in the Senate this afternoon.

The speech will be broadcast over all Italian radio stations.—Trans-Ocean.

NAVAL WEDDING AT UNION CHURCH

Charmingly attired in a gown of ivory angles' skin with long sleeves and train, and a veil held by a coronet of cream and white gardenias, and carrying a bouquet of lilies, Miss Edith Mary Turner, daughter of Dr. G. Reynolds Turner and the late Mrs. Turner, at the Hong Kong Union Church this afternoon, became the bride of Instructor Lieutenant-Commander Angus Gunn, son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Norman Gunn, of Dufftown, Scotland.

The bride was formerly attached to the University of Nanking while her father is a retired medical missionary who worked in South China. The bridegroom is attached to H.M.S. Suffolk.

Mr. Stanley V. Boxer, of the University of Hong Kong, gave the bride away, and the marriage service was conducted by the Rev. Frank Short, assisted by the Rev. H. W. Baines.

As bridesmaid, Miss Katherine Schutze was dressed in yellow georgette and wore a Juliet cap of yellow leaves with a shoulder-length veil. Her bouquet was of yellow fresias. The flower-girls, Miss Frances Gillison and Miss Margaret Ann Smythe, wore yellow organdie with yellow bows in the hair, and carried posies of African daisies.

The best man was Lieutenant-Commander E. Pentor.

During the service two hymns "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty" and "O, Perfect Love" were played, besides the customary wedding march.

A reception is being held in H.M.S. Suffolk.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is stationary over China, Japan, and the neighbouring seas, and has increased moderately in intensity.

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ARMING THE ENEMY

Governments are willing to undertake the complex task of preparing for wars; all the peoples have to do is fight them. Therefore, it possibly is ungrateful of any people to further burden with questions any government preparing for war.

The people should, above all things, refrain from asking why a government which may soon order its people to fight against some other government often encourages, and at least permits, certain of its own citizens to help arm that other government. That is apart altogether from a natural curiosity as to how it happens that a ship should arrive in Hong Kong carrying planes as deck cargo for China and then go on to Japan with holds full of munitions; perhaps A.A. guns and the requisite ammunition! To Britain's former Minister of War, Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, the arming of a potential enemy that is to say the free sale, to all purchasers, of arms, appeared not to concern the men who might have to fight when questioned in the Commons. He considered that when a man had been hit with a shell it was rather an academic question where the shell had been manufactured — whether in the enemy's arms plants, or in those of his own country!

Mr. Duff-Cooper is not alone in this assumption. It is only necessary to recall the clash between Italy and Russia over Russian charges that an Italian submarine had committed piracy against a Russian ship. For a while that crisis appeared to be thrusting the world toward the edge of war's abyss. Note that Premier Mussolini's adherence to the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis represents an interest in stamping out communism. Then remember the reports of the Italo-Russian disagreement over payments for and deliveries of oil between the two countries — and the disclosure that during this period when Italian and Russian ideologies have been heading for a collision, Italy actually has been constructing battleships to be used by Russia.

Against whom would these ships be used? Well, if they had been ready, they might have been used against Italy had the submarine piracy charges led to armed action. If Germany should [illegible] Japan, Italy makes Japan, or one of Japan's potential enemies. No wonder the people who send their sons to man these ships, and to man the ships that must meet these ships, should not ask questions. The governments are too busy preparing for war to take the time for such complicated considerations.

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Scouts

According to latest reports on report presented the Boy Scouts movement, world membership is fast approaching 3,000,000. The news is welcome, because it would be hard to exaggerate the importance of this movement to peace-loving nations and communities.

It is, in its chief aspects, one of the best solutions yet evolved of a difficult problem — the problem of how, in a troubled world, to develop in the future citizen the hardiness and practical ability necessary for the preservation of the state, without giving his training a militaristic bias. For this, by inducing him to regard war as natural, or inevitable, or perhaps even as glorious, is likely to result in a war-minded community, inimical to universal progress.

The argument in many quarters is, of course, that preservation can be guaranteed only by mass education in arms; but it would appear from history that "the resource, the versatility, and the zeal that only freedom and self-reliance can teach" are better allies in the long run than the mechanical efficiency springing from a narrow and rigid militarism. The former ensured the rise of a Dutch Republic, the latter contributed to the collapse of Sparta. "If then," says Thucydides, "we prefer to meet danger with a light heart but without laborious training, and with a courage gained by habit and not enforced by law, are we not greatly the gainers? . . . And so our city is equally admirable in peace and in war."

It is this heart and this habit, combined with unselfish ideals, that the Scout movement does so much to instil into youth the world over.

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A Repudiation

The passing by the House of Commons of a motion on pensions for spinsters had an amusing echo in the repudiation by Liberal National Ministers (the Simonite group) of a pamphlet entitled "Twenty Liberal National Points of Policy." One of the twenty points is "Pensions for spinsters at 55." This was quoted by a supporter of the motion, to the embarrassment of Liberal National Ministers. Since then Sir John Simon has been reading the pamphlet, if not with surprise, at any rate with a strong sense of its maladroitness, for it contains several proposals which could not well be espoused by the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the present Government. This group of Ministers has issued a statement that the pamphlet was drawn up without their knowledge or approval. That leaves something still to be explained, for the pamphlet was published by the Liberal National organisation, and it describes the points as being taken from resolutions passed by the Liberal National Conference of 1937.

JAPANESE STRIVE TO CHECK RETREAT

Reinforcements Being Rushed From Peiping

JAPAN PAYS FIRST CLAIM IN LADYBIRD INCIDENT

London, To-day.

The British claim in respect of the killing and wounding of two of the crew of H.M.S. Ladybird in the Yangtse has already been paid by the Japanese Government, stated Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to Mr. A. E. L. Chorlton (Conservative, Bury) in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler said that a claim for material damage would shortly be presented, and also stated that instructions had been sent to the British Ambassador in Tokyo for a claim to be presented for compensation in respect of damage to the steamers Tuckwo and Tatung and the British hulk in the Yangtse on December 5.

No payment, however, had hitherto been received. — Reuter.

HITLER'S PLEBISCITE FOR SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

Thirteen hundred German and Austrian residents of Shanghai have been invited to participate in an unofficial plebiscite here on April 10, on Herr Hitler's policy on Austria.

The plebiscite, which has been organised by the Nazi Party overseas leaders, is stated to be in order to "show how Germans throughout the world cling to the Fatherland," and to "give Berlin a chance to gauge the sentiment of Germans beyond the Reich."

Austrian and German Jews in Shanghai have been refused permission to vote.—Reuter.

CHINA NATIONAL CONGRESS

Hankow, To-day.

Scheduled to open in Chungking yesterday the sixth National Congress has had to be postponed for a few days, as many of the delegates have not yet arrived.

A preliminary meeting took place yesterday at which Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek presided.—Our Own Correspondent.

'Position Of Japanese Troops Undoubtedly Serious'

Peiping, To-day.

Japanese reinforcements are being rushed to the Shantung front, where the position of the Japanese troops is undoubtedly serious.

This is indicated by the reticence of the Japanese military authorities in Peiping, who decline to give any details of the fighting.

It is believed the Chinese have made substantial advances in the Tientsin-Pukow Railway zone, inflicting heavy casualties on the Japanese.—Reuter.

CHOUKIATSUN RETAKEN

Hankow, To-day.

A Chinese communique states that Japanese forces numbering 4,000, operating in the vicinity of Tungkwanshan and Choukiatsun, districts between Ishing and Liyang, on the Shanghai-Nanking highway, attacked the Chinese positions at 9 o'clock on Monday morning under cover of aerial bombing.

When the reinforced Chinese forces counter-attacked and recaptured Choukiatsun, the Chinese attack on Tungkwanshan was resumed on Monday night.

In South Shansi, the Chinese forces have recaptured Yuanchu the Japanese troops retiring eastward.—Reuter.

TOKYO MAKES ICHOW CLAIM

Tokyo, To-day.

Despatches reaching Tokyo from Tsinanfu claim that the Japanese forces in south Shantung have surrounded Ichow.

The Chinese troops, who defended their positions with great bravery, were forced to retire.—Trans-Ocean.

ITALY DENIES AIR RUMOURS

Hankow, To-day.

The Counsellor of the Italian Embassy has issued a statement denying rumours that Italian aviators and mechanics are joining the Japanese forces.—Reuter.

CATHOLIC PRIESTS ARRESTED

Vienna, To-day.

Five Roman Catholic priests have been placed under arrest in Austria, Trans-Ocean learns.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. HAROLD PORTER MISSING

Shanghai, To-day.

Some anxiety is felt for Mr. Harold Porter, formerly of the British Consular Service in China and General-Manager of the Pekin Syndicate, who has been missing since last Thursday.

Mr. Porter, who is Vice-Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, had been ill recently, and friends fear he is possibly suffering from loss of memory.—Reuter.

ENORMOUS R.A.F. WORKS PROGRAMME

London, To-day.

A further section of the biggest building programme any Government department has been called to carry out is now being launched by the Works Directorate of the Air Ministry.

This is the next step in the further progressive expansion of the Royal Air Force which has been lately approved by the Government.

The programme provides for the construction of additional air force stations and maintenance units distributed throughout England and Scotland at a total cost in the coming financial year of nearly £11,000,000.

They will be used principally for defence training establishments and the maintenance purposes required under the extended expansion scheme.

MAGNITUDE OF WORKS.

The provision of new stations will also entail the planning and making of roads and the installation of an electrical and a water supply system on a large scale. The magnitude of the works programme now in hand is shown by the growth of the Works Directorate vote.

In the last five years it has risen from £1,762,000 to £16,322,00 — a figure which is not far short of the total expenditure of the Royal Air Force in 1933.—British Wireless.

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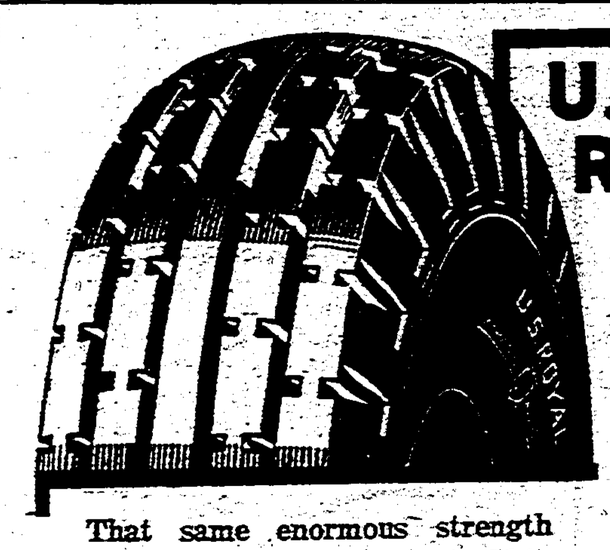

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RUBBER PRICES BREAK SHARPLY IN LONDON

London, To-day.

While the International Rubber Committee's decision to leave the quota for the second quarter unchanged, has not surprised the majority of London rubber dealers, prices nevertheless broke sharply yesterday, dipping under sixpence for the first time for four years.

The weakness is chiefly attributed to outside liquidation, which found the market bereft of buyers, who, anticipating further liquidation of weak positions, at present are holding off.

Well-informed quarters recognise that the Committee had little option regarding the second quarter quota, for, whereas a 5 per cent. reduction would not have afforded any material relief, a 10 per cent. cut would undeniably have raised problems in connection with the labour position.

MERELY SHELVED

While some consider the Committee has merely shelved the question of a quota for the third quarter, others consider it possible that they may be in possession of estimates indicating improved United States consumption in the latter half of the year.

The final recommendations of the Committee to the signatory governments as regards renewal of the regulation agreement, contain, inter alia, proposed alternations of the basic quotas for the years 1939 to 1943.

HIGHER QUOTAS

Compared with the figures put forward earlier, the recommendations for Malaya, the Netherlands East Indies and Siam are unchanged, but Ceylon's proposed quota for each year is now 8,000 tons above those in the original recommendation.

Similarly, Burma is offered an additional 1,500 tons each year; North Borneo an additional 2,000 tons in 1939, 1,750 tons in 1940, 1641 and 1942, and 1,250 tons in 1943: Sarawak an additional 4,000 tons each year, except in the case of 1940, when it is offered an extra 4,250 tons.

The full text of the final recommendations will be published as soon as possible.—Reuter.

WORKERS' SHIP

Hamburg, To-day.

A Leipzig working girl, Lieschen Kiessling, launched the second ship built for the "Strength through Joy" organisation yesterday in the presence of Herr Hitler.—Trans-Ocean.

Peiping Atten... Murder Pup... Leader

Peipin...

The police are combing the city fo... gunmen who last night unsucces... ed to assassinate Wang Keh-m... "provisional government" esta... Japanese.

Mr. Wang was returning with his J... tary-adviser from a dinner-p... motor-car emerged from a side ... main road, ten pistol shots rang...

One pierced Mr. Wang's clothes, not harming him, but Mr. Yamomoto, his secretary-adviser, was struck in the arm and face and is now lying seriously wounded in hospital.

Much excitement has been aroused among the Japanese community. The Japanese authorities have established police posts at all entrances to the Legation Quarter, and are attempting to hold up and search everyone passing, including foreign Diplomats and foreign women.

FOREIGN PROTESTS

The British and United States Embassies have protested to the Japanese Embassy in this connection.

Meanwhile, the bodyguards of members of the "provisional government" have been reinforced.—Reuter.

NAVAL POWERS CONFERENCE

London, To-day.

It was stated yesterday following the meeting of naval experts representing the United Kingdom, France and the United States, parties to the 1936 London Naval Treaty, which was held at the Foreign Office under the chairmanship of Sir Alexander Cadogan, that an announcement would be made later this week regarding the discussions which have been proceeding between the three Powers.

It is understood that these discussions have related to the question of the invocation of the escalator clause in the Treaty.

This question arose as the result of the failure of the Japanese Government to provide assurances in reply to the joint enquiry of the three Powers drawing attention at Tokyo to reports that Japan might construct battleships beyond the 35,000-ton limit which binds the parties to the 1936 Treaty.—British Wireless.

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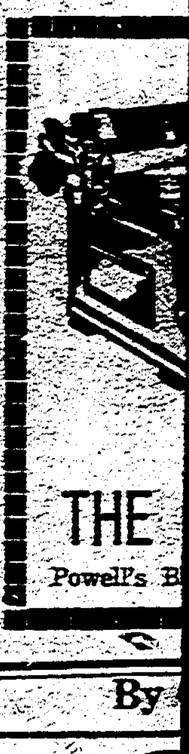

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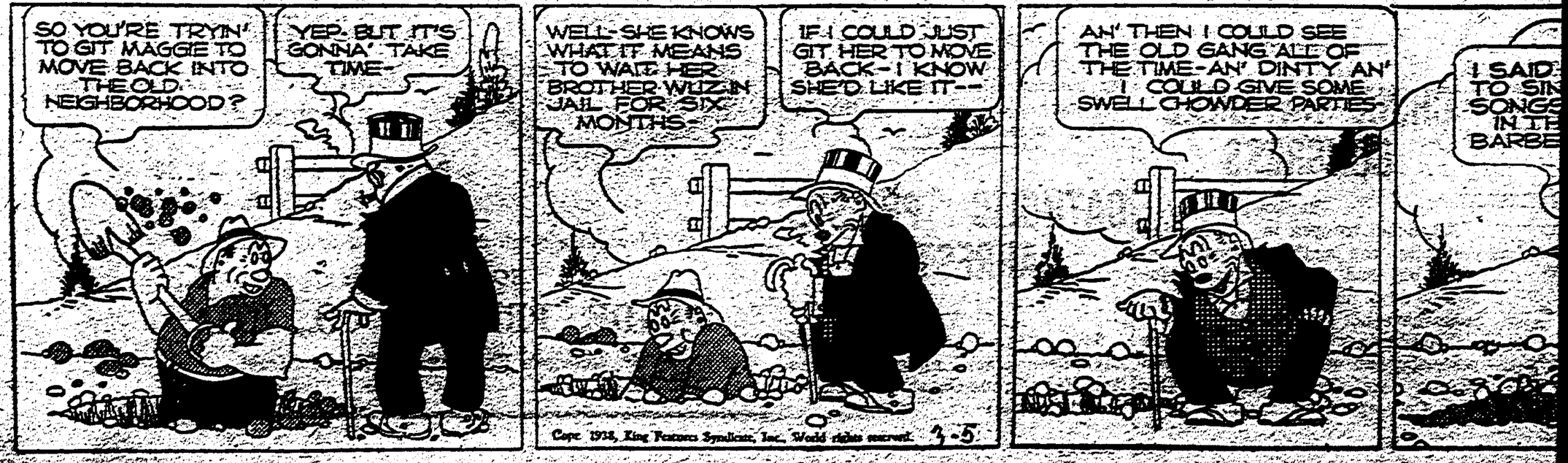

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SEVERAL BUS ACCIDENTS

Several motor accidents were reported yesterday.

Wu Sui was knocked down by a lorry in Connaught Road West and fractured a leg.

Ko Yeung, coolie in a funeral procession, was injured about the head and face when he was knocked down by bus No. 498 in Pokfulum Road.

Yin Ching and Chan King were admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from heard injuries. The former was knocked down by a bus in Queen's Road East near Gresson Street, and the latter by a bus near Lee Tung Street.

In attempting to board a bus in Nathan Road, Chui Wai-lam, a female, fell and received leg injuries. She was sent to the Kowloon Hospital.

As the result of a police round-up in Wongneicheong and Village Roads yesterday, fourteen beggars made an appearance before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning and sentences varying from cautions to fines of $25 or one month's hard labour were imposed.

CITROEN WORKS STRIKE STILL UNSETTLED

Paris, To-day.

The Premier, M. Leon Blum, and the Minister without Portfolio, M. Vincent Auriol, yesterday continued the negotiations for settling the strike at the Citroen motorcar works.

The Association of Trade Unions has issued a statement saying that the Citroen strike is being held contrary to the wishes of the majority of the workers, and demands Government holding of a secret ballot to ascertain whether the men want to continue the strike.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. HUDSON'S NEW YORK TRIP

London, To-day.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, will leave for New York to-day.

Purpose of Mr. Hudson's trip is preparation and organisation of the work of erecting the British Pavilion at the New York Fair in May.—Trans-Ocean.

C. Hosegood, a student of the Central British School, and one of the competitors at the heats of the Inter-school Athletic Meeting has reported that he lost clothing, money and a watch, to the value of $57, at the pavilion at Caroline Hill yesterday.

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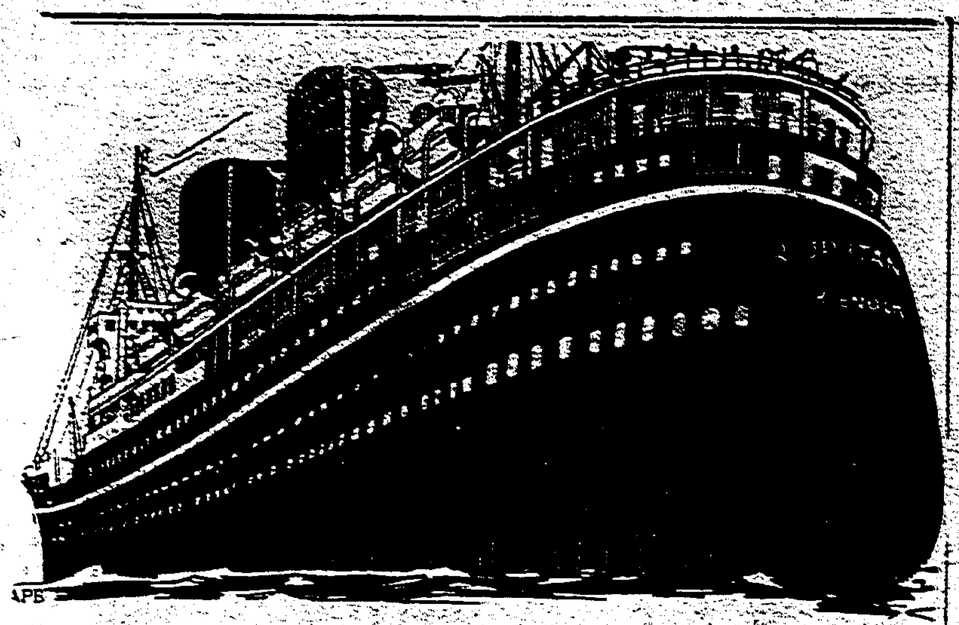

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RANPURA.....	17,000	16th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
†*BHUTAN.....	6,000	23rd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam, & Antwerp.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	30th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
*BEHAR	6,000	7th May	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam, & Antwerp.
CORFU	14,500	14th May	Bombay, Marseilles, & London.
†*SOUDAN ...	6,000	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam, & Antwerp.
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*BEHAR	6,000	2nd Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.
NELLORE	7,000	3rd Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.
CORFU.....	14,500	14th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.
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	Yuen Sang	March 30.
Manila	Imperial Airways Plane	March 31.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 23rd March	Kweiyang	March 31.
Japan	Naldera	April 1.
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Japan and Shanghai	Tsinan	April 1.
Shanghai and Swatow	Behar	April 2.
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Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service" San Francisco date, 25th March.	Pan-American Airways Plane	April 2.
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	Thursday	
Bangkok	Proteus	Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow	Muinam	Mar. 31, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Rawalpindi	Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow and *Shanghai	Kaying	Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow	Muinam	Mar. 31, 1.30 p.m.
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	Friday	
Japan	Yuensang	April 1, 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 19th April.	Nan Kin	Sat., April 2, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
		Par., ... April 1, 5 p.m.
		Reg., ... April 2, 8.45 a.m.
		Ord., ... April 2, 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, *E. & *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th April.	Naldera	Sat., April 2 G.P.O. and K.P.O.
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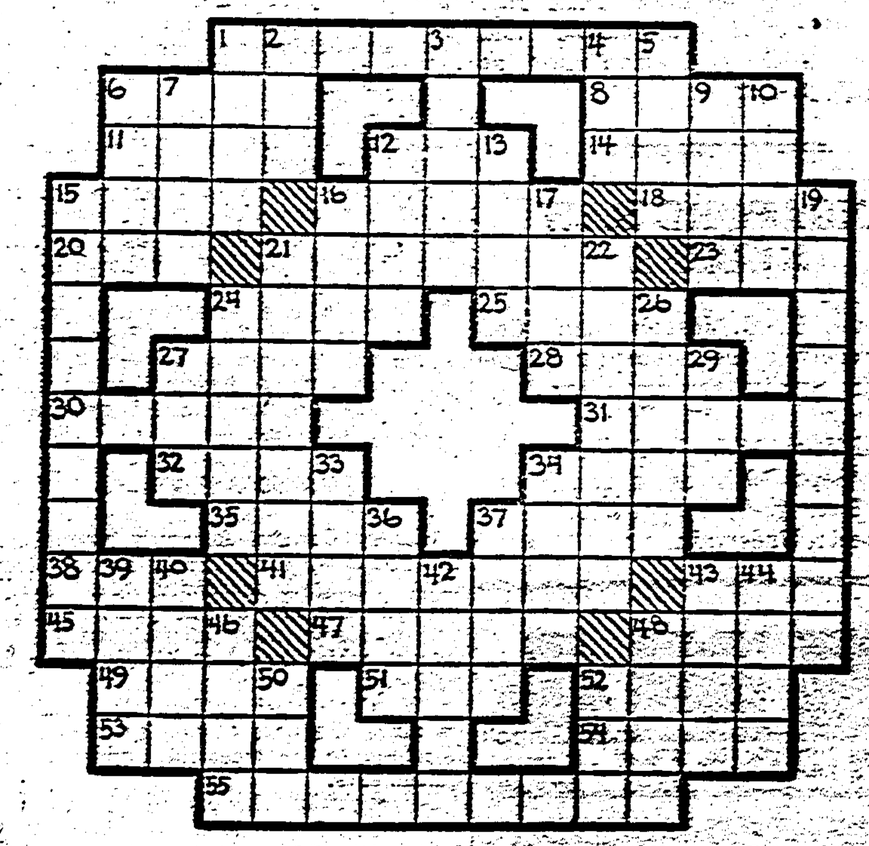

HORIZONTAL
1–Give medical directions
6–Dim
8–The Orient
11–Without feet
12–Youth
14–Large lake
15–Worry
16–Ocean vessel
18–Bargain
20–Pronoun
21–Quick, slight, metallic sounds
23–Adult males
24–Swindle
25–Jump
27–A wrap
28–Dreadful
30–Shadow
31–Warm admirer
32–Saucy
34–Arm of a bay
36–Profound
37–Greater
38–Squire

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
41–Traders
43–Portuguese coin
45–Happy
47–Aver
48–College official
49–Carriage
51–Sainte (abbr.)
52–Choicest
53–Sly (Scot.)
54–An insect (pl.)
55–Gatherers of news

VERTICAL
1–Plan
2–Crimson
3–Wind
4–An insect
5–Organs of hearing
6–Segment
7–Imitates
8–Country in Asia
9–Combining form. Far
10–Row
13–Small valley

VERTICAL (Cont.)
15–Completing
16–Similar
17–Long grass stem
19–Amuse
21–Grow smaller toward the end
22–Mariners
24–Wilted
26–Show to be true
27–Cover
29–Evening (Poet.)
33–Golf mounds
34–Heart
36–Small lumps of butter
37–Apportion
39–A tree (pl.)
40–Pendant
42–Tardier
43–Recline
44–Consumes
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48–Taire
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LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

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Hong Kong Bank $[illegible] sa.
Bank of East Asia $[illegible] b.
INSURANCES
Union Ins. $[illegible] a.
China Underwriters $2 b.
SHIPPING
H. K. Steamboats $16¼ b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
Providents (Old) $3.60 b.
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Raubs $7.90 sa.
Antamoks Ps. .51 sa.
Atoks Ps. .25½ sa.
Baguio Gold Ps. .20 sa.
Benguet Consol. Ps. .9.50 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. .42 sa.
Consolidated Mines Ps. .011 sa.
Demonstrations Ps. .33½ sa.
I. X. L. Ps. .69 sa.
Paracale Gumaus Ps. .20 sa.
San Mauricio Ps. .42½ sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .15 sa.
United Paracales Ps. .41 sa.
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H. K. Lands $35½ sa.
H. K. Lands 4% Debentures 100% b.
Chinese Estates $97 b.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
H. K. Tramways $15.80 b.
Peak Trams (Old) $7 b.
Star Ferries $84½ b.
China Lights (Old) $12.10 b.
H. K. Electrics $59¾ b., $59½ sa.
Sandakan Lights $14½ b.
Telephones (New) $10¾ sa.
INDUSTRIALS
Cements $17¾ b.
STORES, &C.
Watson $6.75/.80 sa.
H. K. Docks ex. rights $21.80 sa.
Sinceres $2.20 b.
Wing On (H.K.) $49 b.
Wm. Powell, Ltd. 60 cts. b.
MISCELLANEOUS
Constructions $1½ b.
H. K. Govt. 3½% Loan 2%pm. b.
Wallace Harpers $10 b.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 3/10 b.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-11/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 18⅜ and forward at 18⅛.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.9734 and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.$4.97-1/2.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

April/June 18-½ b. down 2
July/Sept. 19 b. down 2.
Oct/Dec. 19-¼ b. down 2.
Market: Uncertain.

ENCOURAGING HONG KONG INDUSTRY

"I am glad to say that the Colonial Office is alive to the need of encouraging local industries and the subject of preferential treatment for Hong Kong manufactured goods will be presented during the negotiations for new trade agreements with India and the Dominion Governments this year," said Mr. A. E. Shields, chairman, in the course of his report at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

Mr. Shields said:—

Our turnover of Rope for the year now under review shows an improvement over the figures for 1936 in spite of the keen competition with which we have had to contend.

With regard to our properties, the Factory Buildings at Mataukok continue in occupation, and about 90 per cent of the number of flats in our 28 Chinese Dwelling Houses at Kennedy Town is now occupied as compared with 40 per cent this time last year. The increase is due to the influx of refugees from various parts of China owing to the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

DIVIDEND PAYMENT

Turning to the Accounts, Gentlemen, you will see that the profit earned for the year under review, after providing for Depreciation and allowing for Directors' and Auditors' Fees and Commission to General Managers, etc., is $58,209.86. This amount added to the balance of $43,065.68 brought forward from 1936, makes a total at credit of Profit and Loss Account of $101,275.54, which your Directors recommend be dealt with as follows:—

Pay a dividend of 25 cents per share absorbing $50,000.00
And carry forward to credit of next year's account $51,275.54

Depreciation on Buildings, etc., has been provided on the usual basis except that your Directors decided to provide an additional $10,000 depreciation on Machinery as some of our machines are now getting old and will need replacing.

Revenue from rents shows an increase of $3,186.92 over the figures recorded for 1936.

You will notice that Share Investments do not appear in the Accounts. These were sold during the past year at a profit of $5,358.60 as shown in the Profit and Loss Account.

You will also note the amount of $3,828.50 expended on the Wharf. This represents the cost of repairs and replacements made during the year and I may say that the Wharf is now practically a new one.

TRADE BALANCES

Sundry Debtors Accounts amounting to $68,112.87 are slightly higher than usual owing to increased sales made towards the end of the year. These are ordinary trade balances with customers which have practically all been paid up.

The Cash Position has also improved since the date of the accounts and is adequate to meet the dividend requirements.

As regards the prospects for the current year, it is unfortunate that world conditions in general and the state of affairs in the Far East make any forecast dangerous, but I may say, however, that we continue to enjoy the support of many Shipping Companies and our sales so far are encouraging.

Mr. S. T. Williamson seconded, and the report and accounts were adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sir Robert Ho Tung and Sir Elly Kadoorie were re-elected directors on the motion of Mr. J. Dick, seconded by Mr. H. Dreyer, while Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors on the proposal of Mr. C. W. L. Cole seconded by Mr. J. Toppin.

The following attended:—Messrs. A. L. Shields (chairman), J. P. Braga, Lawrence Kadoorie and S. T. Williamson (directors), Mr. F. J. Tavares (secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. J. Toppin, A. A. Botelho, L. W. Shewan, H. Dreyer, C. W. L. Cole and J. Dick.

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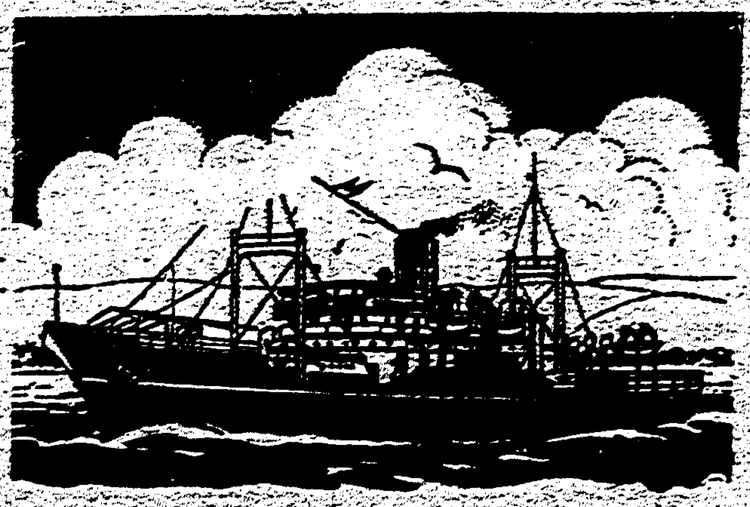

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Successful Local Students

The local Board of Examination Committee of the Corporation of Accountants, Glasgow, and the Faculty of Secretaries, England, have received the past list for the examination of last December. The successful students are:—

C.R.A.—Walter J. Brown, A.F.S., F.B.I., passed the Intermediate C.R.A. Examination.

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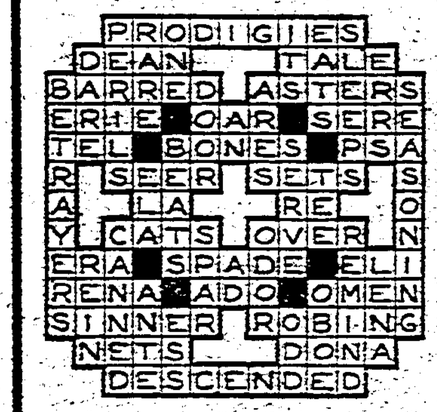
The above are all students of the School of Accountancy Ib Commerce.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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BANKS

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Issued and Fully Paid-up	20,000,000
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Hong Kong Currency Reserve	$10,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors	$20,000,000

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RUMJAHNS AS GOOD AS EVER

(By "ADREM")

(S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn beat E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung 6—2, 7—5.)

THE only disappointment I felt after leaving the Stand Court at the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday, was that the match I had just seen was not a final or semi-final.

THROUGHOUT A TOTAL OF ABOUT AN HOUR'S PLAY, THERE WAS NOT A DULL MOMENT AND THOUGH THE RUMJAHNS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE WON IN THREE SETS OVER THE LONGER DISTANCE, THE ENTERTAINMENT WOULD AT LEAST HAVE BEEN PROLONGED.

That the winners were good value for their success there is little doubt. They played the steadier brand of tennis and were generally more reliable all-round, but Fincher and Hung — the latter in particular — although their policy, obviously to try and win quickly, did not meet with success, gave a sparkling display and went down with colours flying.

Several incidents stand out in my mind. A rally in the fourth game of the first set when drives, volleys, lobs and smashes all at breath-taking speed, ended in a badly-timed S. A. Rumjahn smash which went out of court to give Hung his second service success of the afternoon.

Then there was that palpitating spell in the tenth game of the second set when Fincher and Hung were leading 5—4 on "H. D's" service. Three times did they secure vantage after deuce had been called. Twice, when in this position, one or the other was in a position to end the rally with a "kill" and win the set. They failed, the Rumjahns rallied, as only they are capable of doing, and the set and with it a possibility of the match, was saved.

WILLIE HUNG THE "STAR"

Of the players yesterday, although H. D. Rumjahn gave a performance entirely typical of himself that is, unostentatious efficiency—I thought that Willie Hung was the "star" of the match. I will go so far as to say that his form surpassed by a large margin, any he has yet produced in local competitive tennis.

As I have already remarked, the eventual losers were out for quick points and they were invariably carrying the battle into the enemy camp. This gave Hung his chance. It was quickly evident that he was seeing them well and he mixed matters with such joyous abandon that the Rumjahns in sheer self-defence, were obliged to seek out Fincher for their points.

The latter did not play badly but he gave me the impression that he was not feeling as fit as he might have been. I noticed that he arrived in a hurry, rather later than the others, and had little time for a knock-up prior to the start.

OLD BUGBEAR

What I feel really wrecked his confidence was that old bugbear of his, his forehand drive. True he did get some very nice ones across but as the game progressed, so did this stroke become more and more tentative. In the latter stages he reverted to his slower but infinitely surer chop. His service was poor—so far as I can recollect he only won one service game throughout the encounter—his volleying, although reliable, lacked sting, while his smashing was as always, not smashing—but best described as overhead placing.

I have dealt with the losers first, because their methods being the more spectacular, their performances come more readily to mind. Full marks, however, must go to the Rumjahns. In their "big" games in recent years, they have given an impression of shakiness in their first two sets. It was consequently logical to expect that Fincher and Hung, who both settle down rapidly, might snatch two quick sets.

CONTENT WITH DEFENCE

Unnecessary to say now, they did not. The Rumjahns when in any doubt lobbed—and they both did this with great accuracy—and for long spells they were quite content to play defensively far beyond the baseline. Once they felt sure of themselves, they assumed the offensive and always looked like being the eventual winners.

"H.D." was the better of the two as he made a minimum number of errors and always made the most of his opportunities. "S.A." was erratic on the backhand and his service was as unreliable as usual but his forehand driving left little to be desired, while his volleying retrieving and lobbing were beyond reproach.

I don't think the Rumjahns will beat the Tsui brothers, not because I feel they have deteriorated but rather that the latter have set a new standard which no other pair in Hong Kong, at the moment can touch.

THE PLAY

Play was very even in the first set although the score suggests otherwise. Fincher lost both his service games, while all the others won theirs so that was that!

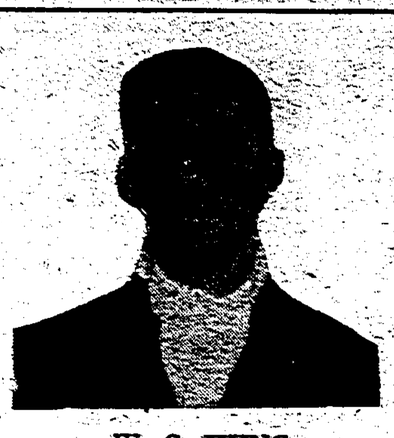
In the second, Sirdar proved the guilty party at the outset, and dropped his service, and Fincher and Hung went to 4—1. "H.D." then won his, Teddy lost his and it was 4—3. Sirdar followed suit and the K.C.C. pair, leading 5—3 on Hung's service, appeared to have the set in their pockets. Hung failed and after the Rumjahns emerged successful from that epic tenth game, there was no further doubt and they went out at 7—5.

OTHER GAMES

On an outside court, S. W. Liang made Leong Ping-chiu go every inch of the way in a dour baseline duel. Liang was very impressive on the backhand and launched most of his attacks from that wing, but Leong's persistence and all-round reliability, carried him through.

Paul Kong had many a long rally in his game with the tenacious Frank Kwok but the latter's fine forehand drive failed to offset the wide repertoire of strokes at the command of the former China Davis Cup player.

Tsui Wai-pui had little difficulty against W. Sander and won for the loss of one game. Sander revealed a useful drive on the forehand, but was no match for Hong Kong's potential champion.



W. C. HUNG

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

DOUBLES

S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn beat E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung 6—2, 7—5.

SINGLES

Leung Ping-chiu beat S. W. Liang 6—4, 3—6, 6—2.

Tsui Wai-pui beat W. Sander 6—1, 6—0.

Paul Kong beat F. H. Kwok 6—2, 6—2.

INTERESTING SINGLES ENCOUNTER

To-day's Tennis Programme

An interesting match in the Open Singles Championship should be witnessed to-day when W. C. Hung meets G. Choa, the youthful Craigengower player, who is expected to win.

The following is to-day's programme:—

Open Singles

S. S. Hussain or H. Owen Hughes v. M. W. Lo.

W. C. Hung v. George Choa.

Club Handicap Singles

T. A. Pearce (—15) v. L. R. Andrewes (+3.6).

H. D. Bidwell (—2.6) v. F. V. Harrison (—5.6).

Club Handicap Doubles

R. M. M. King and J. P. Murphy (scr.) v. J. J. Ferguson and J. M. Wilson (—3.6).

H. J. Armstrong and M. H. Turner (—5/6) v. G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan (—15).

Handicap Mixed Doubles

N. L. H. Railton and Mrs. G. K. Oliver (—4.6) v. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark (—1.6).

A. T. Dow and Miss M. Corrighan (—2/6) v. B. O'M. Deane and Miss J. Armstrong (—15).

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CORINTHIANS RETURN ENCOUNTER

SOUTH CHINA REORGANISE THEIR HALF BACK LINE

VISITORS' TEAM NOT YET ANNOUNCED

THE last opportunity of witnessing the Islington Corinthians in action will be afforded football enthusiasts when they meet South China Athletic Association, in a return exhibition encounter, at Caroline Hill, this afternoon, at 5.15 p.m.

The South China team were defeated by the only goal in their first encounter, and are hoping to reverse the results this time. They are making several important changes in the team which met the visitors in the first game.

Lim Tak-po, who played in the pivotal position in the first game, has been dropped and first game, has been dropped and the whole of the "A" teams half-back line will be on view. Lau Hing Choi will occupy the centre half berth, while Leung Wing Chui and Lee Kwok-wai will be the wing halves.

Tang Kwong-sum will be seen on the right wing, in place of Yeung Shui-yick, who is still suffering from an injury sustained in the Lai Wah Cup final recently.

CHAN TAK-FAI AS LEADER

Chan Tak-fai, who has been showing great improvement since the Corinthians were last here, will lead the attack again, while the left wing combination of Lau Chung-sang and Lee Shek-yau, of the "B" team, has been preferred to that of the "A". Lai Shui-wing is unable to play owing to an injury.

The prices for this game have been reduced and special facilities have been granted to the Services and school children, and, with the present good weather prevailing, a good gate is anticipated.

The following were the results of the Islington Corinthians' four games in the Colony:—

v. South China A.A.	won	1—0
v. United Services	won	3—1
v. Civilians	won	3—1
v. Hong Kong	won	5—1

The following were the goal-scorers for the Islington Corinthians during their four games here:—

Sheerwood	5
Avery	3
Read	1
Bradbury	2
Tarrant	1
Total	12

We are asked to state that there are plenty of seats available for to-day's match and no possibility of a crush.

JUNIOR CRICKET MATCH

A friendly game of cricket will be played between the Hong Kong Cricket Club second eleven and the Navy second eleven on the Navy ground, at 2 p.m. next Saturday. The following will represent the H.K.C.C.

E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, D. S. Blake, V. C. Bond, G. E. R. Divett, F. A. Dunnett, N. P. Fox, D. S. Robb, W. Stoker and F. H. Stokes.

Taikoo Recreation Club may stage a come-back in the Badminton League next season. It is quite likely that they will enter teams in the Junior Division of the Men's Section and in the Mixed Doubles Section.

LADIES' SENIOR REST HOCKEY XI SELECTED

Following a trial at King's Park, yesterday, the following were selected to represent the senior Rest eleven against the "Y" Ladies, champions of the Caer Clark Cup League, next Saturday on the Army ground at Gascoigne Road (U.S.R.C.):—

Mrs. Lunson (H.K.L.) (goal); Miss G. White (St. Andrew's) (right-back) and Miss B. Parsons (C.B.A.) (left-back); Miss J. Wong (St. Andrew's) (right-half), Miss B. Pope (H.K.L.) (centre-half) and Miss L. Woolley (C.B.A.) (left-half); Miss F. Wong (St. Andrew's) (right-wing), Miss E. Churn (St. Andrew's) (inside-right), Mrs. G. A. White (C.B.A.) (centre-forward), Miss P. Gittins (St. Andrew's) (inside-left) and Miss D. Hunt (C.B.A.) (outside-left).

Reserves:—Miss P. Everest (C.B.A.) (half-back); Miss H. Reid (St. Andrew's) (half-back) and Miss F. Best (C.B.A.) (outside-right).

SWIMMER BEREAVED

Dato Dr. Wong Shin-thwin, of Kelantan, who died on Sunday at Serdang, Kedah, was the father of Dr. Wong Siong-hing, former holder of the Colony backstroke record.

Dr. Wong Siong-hing, well-known in Hong Kong, graduated from the Hong Kong University and while an undergraduate established his backstroke record and represented the Colony in an interport.

Yeung Shui-yick, left, will not be seen in action this afternoon owing to injuries, while Leung Wing Chui, right, will be in his usual position as right half.

Airmen Assist Macao To Defeat R.A.F.!

BUT GIVE POLISHED "AEROBATICS" DISPLAY

(By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE HOCKEY SIDE HAD THEIR FIRST EXPERIENCE OF MACAO HOSPITALITY LAST SUNDAY. 27TH MARCH.

FIELDING A STRONG, WELL-BALANCED TEAM THE AIRMEN WERE SOON IN THE HOME SIDE HALF BUT FAILED TO NET. ALPIN-WATT WAS CONSPICUOUS IN THIS FIRST ASSAULT. THE PORTUGUESE FORWARDS THEN GOT INTO THEIR STRIDE AND, FROM A SMART MOVEMENT WHICH FOUND THE DEFENCE 'IN THE AIR', THE LEFT WINGER DEFEATED THE CUSTODIAN WITH A SIZZLING SHOT.

The going was heavy and both sides found difficulty in keeping heir feet — particularly the viators who carried out several xceptionally fine side-slips. Curon-Shirley was notable for his olished aerobatics amongst the pectators.

After about 25 minutes play, the inside right found the aviators' defence at fault again, and from a breast high centre he crashed the leather into the rigging with a beautiful cross bat.

The Air Force supporters now put in some strenuous work, and Roose-Jenkins thus encouraged, flashed down the wing, only to be robbed with the goal almost within his grasp. Lemon time came with a two goal advantage for the Homesters.

IN FLAT-SPIN

The second 'chukkah' started with the aeronauts in a flat spin. Before they had recovered, two more points were scored against them, and shortly afterwards, as the result of a smart bit of co-operation by the R.A.F. with the opposition, the birdmen's citadel fell again.

The airmen now gave up blind flying and came out of the clouds. Finally from a footling attack which never looked like threatening the Portuguese Colony's goal, Rossiter topped his shot and the ball spun into the net over the custodian's shoulder.

On the run of the play, the Macau players were superior but the airmen were unlucky to score several goals against themselves. Robinson, as usual, was ubiquitous, and the umpiring—though the cause of the usual adverse comments—was of a high standard.

A good time was had by all, and, in spite of the wetness of the ground, some sparkling play was seen. This magnificent display was witnessed by a large and enthusiastic gathering of sportsmen.

In case it is not clear from the foregoing what the final score was, the result was that Macau and the R.A.F. shared six goals—rather unevenly—that is to say in the ratio of 5 to 1, the first digit representing the Macau aggregate.

The teams were:—

Macau— the usual superlatively brilliant combination.

R.A.F.— also the usual, though less brilliant, combination. It may be noted that the airmen made up in individual nomenclature what they lacked in skill on the hockey field—every player bearing a hyphenated name. (Is this a record?).

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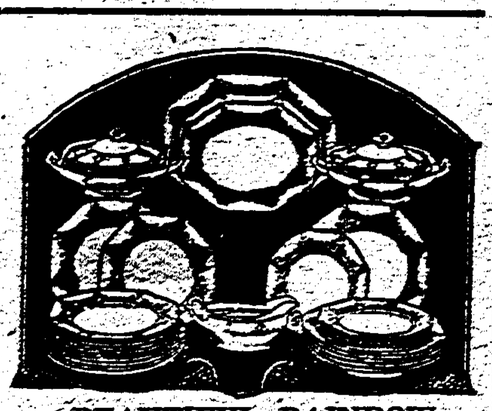

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C.P.O. Parsons Wins Kowloon Marathon

Beats Langley By Four Seconds

Composed entirely of new-comers, who have never previously taken part in the event, 32 competitors from the Navy, Army and Air Force, and one civilian, lined up yesterday afternoon in front of St. Andrew's Church, Nathan Road, for the Seventeenth Annual Kowloon Marathon Race of six and a quarter miles. Chief Petty Officer Parsons, of H.M.S. Suffolk, won in 35 minutes, 43 seconds (2 mins. 11 secs. below Hamilton's record of 33 mins. 21 secs.)

Leading Aircraftsman Langley, of No. 715 Squadron, Royal Air Force, came in second, clocking 35 minutes, 54 seconds, followed by Lance-Corporal MacDonald, of the Royal Scots, who came in four seconds behind.

D. S. Blake, the only civilian entry, of whom much was expected, was the 25th entrant to finish.

The competitors strung out in

Waterloo Road and Prince Edward Road, but when turning into Tam Kung Road, Parsons, MacDonald, Manson, and Langley forged ahead from the rest of the field. On reaching Chatham Road, Manson was left behind, and Parsons led, followed by Langley and MacDonald. Parsons maintained his position to the end and finished 11 seconds ahead of Langley.

RESULTS OF FINISH

The competitors finished in the following order:—

C. P. O. Parsons (H.M.S. Suffolk), Time: 35 mins. 43 secs.
L. A. C. Langley (715th Squadron R.A.F.), Time: 35 mins. 54 secs.
L/C. MacDonald (Royal Scots), Time: 35 mins. 58 secs.
L/C. Manson (Royal Scots).
L/C. Ellis (Middlesex).
Cpl. Keefe (Middlesex).
Str. Brown (H.M.S. Grampus).
Shipt. Ware (H.M.S. Suffolk).
Shipt. Frost (H.M.S. Suffolk).
Pte. Weekes (Middlesex).
Pte. Heather (Middlesex).
L/C. Boggis (Middlesex).
Pte. Wilson (Royal Scots).
Pte. Onslow (Middlesex).
Pte. Thundow (Middlesex).
L/C. Baker (Middlesex).
Pte. Evans (Middlesex).
Pte. Tarrant (Middlesex).
Boy. Whitty (Middlesex).
Pte. Adams (Middlesex).
Sigmn. Truscott (H.K. Signal Boy).
Pte. Baker (Middlesex).
Pte. Willison (Middlesex).
L/C. Gracie (Royal Scots).
L. S. B. A. Rowlands (Naval Hospital).
D. S. Blake (H.K. Club).
A. C. Goodwin (Air Force).

The following did not finish:—

Cpl. Harrison (Air Force).
A. C. Pharaoh (Air Force).
Str. Scarlett (H.M.S. Orpheus).
Sigmn. Seaman (H.K. Signal Boy).
Sigmn. McCavish (H.K. Signal Boy).

PREVIOUS RESULTS

The following are the results of the Marathon Race since 1921:

1921—A. Mair (K. Docks). Time: 33 mins. 32 secs.
1923—V. C. Bell (Submarine L5). Time: 35 mins. 27 secs.
1924—Lt. Armstrong (East Surreys). Time: 35 mins. 40 secs.
1925—Bdmn. Hannan (East (Surreys). Time: 35 mins.
1926—Ldg. Seaman W. Hobden (H. M. S. Despatch). Time: 34 mins. 54 secs.
1927—Pt. Cranston (K. O. S. B.). Time: 34 mins. 11½ secs.
1928—Pt. Tiernan (R. A. M. C.). Time: 34 mins. 13 secs.
1929—Pt. L. Baulch (Somersets). Time: 33 mins. 50 secs.
1930—Bugler White (Somersets). Time: 33 mins. 25 secs.
1931—L/C. Farmer (S. W. Borderers), and Pt. Jones-Rodgers (S. W. Borderers). Time: 34 mins. 36 secs.
1932—L/C. Palmer (S. W. Borderers). Time: 33 mins. 58 secs.
1933—Pt. H. Smith (Lincolns). Time: 33 mins. 34 secs.
1934—L/C. Farmery (Lincolns). Time: 34 mins. 10 secs.
1935—Pt. H. Smith (Lincolns). Time: 35 mins.
*1936—Rflmn. Hamilton (Rifles). Time: 33 mins. 21 secs.
1937—Rflmn. Hamilton (Rifles). Time: 33 mins. 58 secs.
1938—C.P.O. Parsons (H.M.S. Suffolk). Time: 35 mins. 43 secs.

(* Best Performance).

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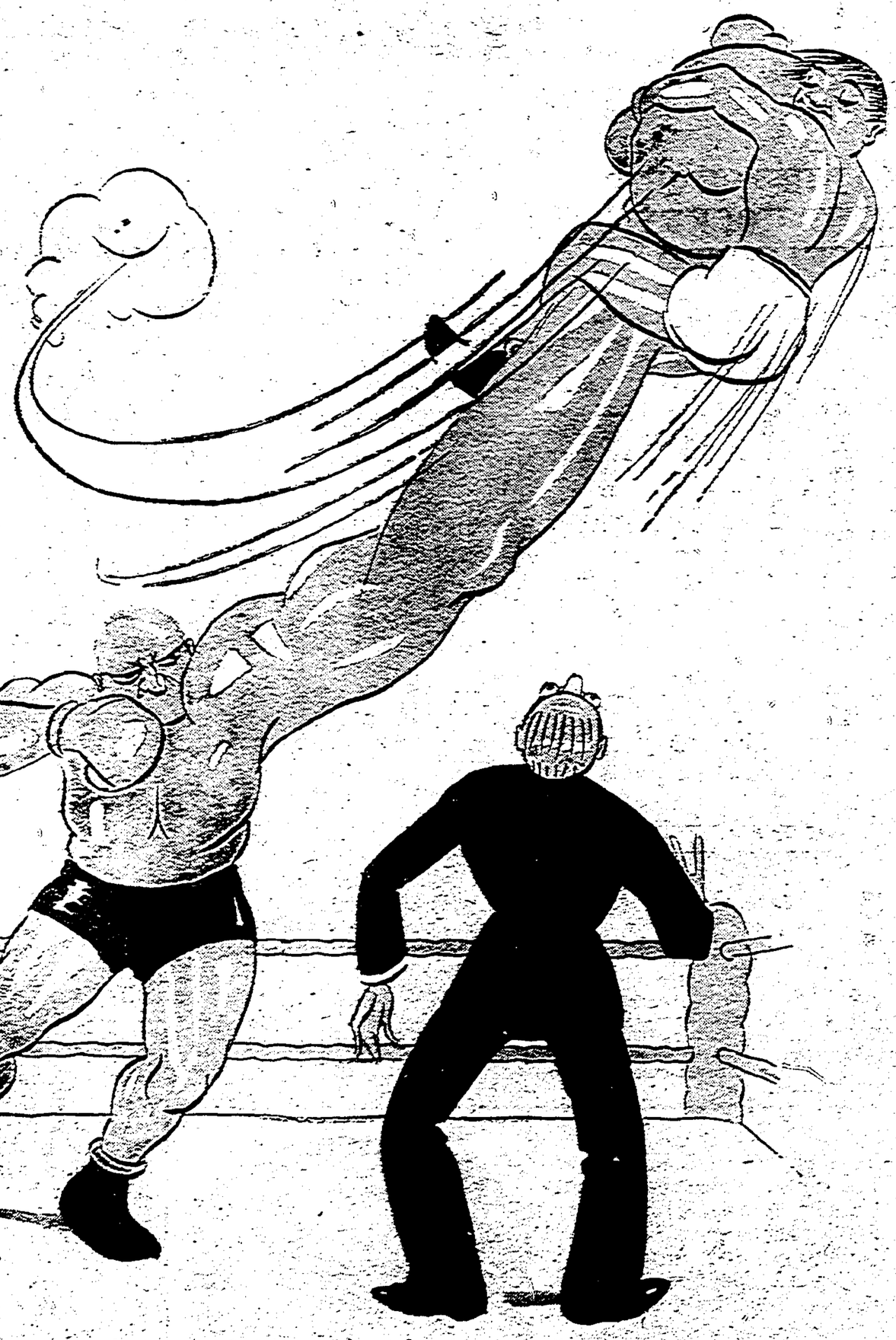

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SUNDERLAND BEAT GRIMSBY IN AWAY GAME

London, To-day.

Sunderland secured two valuable League points in the First Division yesterday when they beat Grimsby by two clear goals in an away fixture.—Reuter.

MIDDLESEX CRICKET XI FOR INTER-UNIT FINAL

The following will represent the Middlesex Regiment against the Royal Engineers, in the Final of the Large Units Cricket Competition, on to-morrow, Thursday, March 30 and 31, at Kowloon.

Major Newnham, Lieut. Bradnell, Lieut. Peal, C.S.M. Northcotte, Pte. Jones, Lieut. Weedon (Capt.), Lieut. Man, Lieut. Chiverall, Sgt. Painter, Pte. Hatfield, Pte. Coombes.

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KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB

RECORD

P.	W.	L.	D.	PTS.
7	3	0	4	13

182	for	7 dec.	drew with C.C.C.	97	for	8
164	„	9 „	drew with Army	152	„	7
158	„	7 „	beat Navy	80		
157	„	8 „	beat C.S.C.C.	116		
85			beat H.K.C.C.	65		
106	„	5	drew with C. de R.	158	„	8 dec.
98	„	6	drew with I.R.C.	190	„	5 „
950	for	52		858	for	58

Average per wicket 18.72 against 14.79.

BATTING

	Inns.	H.S.	Not Out.	Aggr.	Avge.
B. D. Lay	4	19*	3	32	32.00
D. J. N. Anderson	6	68	0	168	28.00
G. F. O'Bryen	7	68*	1	165	27.50
E. F. Fincher	4	52	0	80	20.00
N. D. Lloyd	6	42*	1	95	19.00
E. C. Fincher	7	41	0	132	18.86
T. A. Madar	7	29*	1	73	12.17
R. E. Lee	5	22	1	39	9.75
G. C. Burnett	6	28*	1	48	9.60

The following also batted:—F. Zimmern (10, 3, 0*, 1, 4); S. Jex (0*); A. T. Lay (12, 19); K. M. Baxter (3, 0); W. C. Hung (10*).

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avge.
R. E. Lee	103.4	24	304	28	10.86
N. D. Lloyd	97	12	312	21	14.86
G. C. Burnett	24	4	94	5	18.80

The following also bowled:—F. Coodwin (3—0—12—1); B. D. Lay (12—1—48—0); D. J. N. Anderson (6—0—22—1); G. F. O'Bryen (3—0—12—1); W. C. Hung (5—0—15—0); K. M. Baxter (2—0—14—0).

The following held catches:—D. J. N. Anderson (12), G. C. Burnett (5), G. F. O'Bryen (5), R. E. Lee (3), E. C. Fincher (2), S. Jex (2), T. A. Madar (2), E. F. Fincher, F. Zimmern, N. D. Lloyd, A. T. Lay, K. M. Baxter and W. C. Hung.

S. Jex stumped one.

ARMY "A"

RECORD

P.	W.	L.	D.	PTS.
10	5	2	3	18

125			beat Army "B"	84		
164	for	8	drew with Navy	177	for	4 dec.
48			beat Police	44		
138	„	8 dec.	drew with C.C.C.	129		
173			drew with H.K.C.C.	133	„	9
142	„	5	beat K.C.C.	101		
28			lost to C. de R.	69		
135	„	9	beat I.R.C.	78		
126	„	6	beat C.S.C.C.	97		
160			lost to University	129		
1179	for	86		1041	for	93

Average per wicket 13.71 against 11.13.

BATTING

	Inns.	H.S.	Not Out.	Aggr.	Avge.
S. M. Northcote	7	41	0	175	25.00
Q. M. S. Eaton	6	46	0	107	17.83
Sgt. Baker	7	66	0	107	15.29
Lt. Ingram	8	57	0	115	14.38
Sgt. Bennett	9	47	0	129	14.33
Sgt. Bloomfield	7	27	2	66	13.20
Sgt. Goodger	8	22*	2	80	10.00
Lt. Hook	8	38*	1	62	8.86

The following also batted:—Sgt. Howe (3, 6, 3, 8*, 2, 4, 13, 4*), Pte. Chatton (8), Pte. Gantzer (10, 28*), L/Bdr. Hebden (7), Gnr. Barnsby (1, 0), Pte. Thompson (6), Sgt. Paynter (9), Pte. Coomber (4), Spr. Denyer (9*, 8), Pte. Hatfield (4, 5*), Gnr. Chaplin (14), Pte. Connor (11, 4), Pte. Jones (2, 1, 8, 25, 0), Pte. Chatton (46, 2), Pte. Telford (1), Pte. Boocock (0), Sgt. Gill (15), Sgt. Calvert (22), L/Cpl. Bradford (8).

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avge.
Pte. Hatfield	31.5	12	67	13	5.16
Pte. Chatton	14.3	3	48	5	9.60
Sgt. Goodger	81	11	251	25	10.04
Q. M. S. Eaton	31.5	4	98	9	10.89
Sgt. Bloomfield	31.5	2	119	9	13.22

The following also bowled:—L/Bdr. Hebden (5—1—21—2), Pte. Gantzer (16.5—1—77—4), Lt. Hook (14—1—83—1), Pte. Thompson (2—0—14—0), Sgt. Baker (10—1—35—3), Sgt. Paynter (5—4—1—2), Pte. Denyer (4—0—25—0), Pte. Boocock (6—2—13—3), Sgt. Calvert (8—3—25—1), Pte. Jones (10—1—35—4), Sgt. Bradford (3—1—13—3).

The following held catches:—Sgt. Baker (7), Sgt. Bloomfield (6), Q. M. S. Eaton (4), Sgt. Bennett (3), Lt. Hook (3), Gnr. Barnsby (2), Sgt. Paynter (2), Spr. Denyer (2), Pte. Hatfield (2), S. M. Northcote (2), Pte. Chatton (2), Lt. Ingram, Sgt. Howe, Pte. Chatton, Pte. Gantzer, L/Bdr. Hebden, Pte. Boocock and Sgt. Calvert.

Sgt. Bennett stumped one.

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Matmin Veen (Haydn Wood). Orchestra cond. by Composer.
I Know Of Two Bright Eyes (G. H. Clutsam); Somewhere A Voice Is Calling (Eileen Newton—Arthur Tate) ..... Tauber.
Like To The Damask Rose (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood); Queen Mary's Song (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood)... Orchestra cond. by Haydn Wood.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m. — Patricia Rossborough (Piano).
Anything Goes — Selection (Cole Porter).
Midnight in Mayfair (Newell Chase).
Some Of These Days (Brooks).
1.15 p.m.—New Mayfair Orchestra.
"Mother Of Pearl"—Selection (O. Strauss).
"Going Greek"—Selection.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety Programme.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—Dance Music.
7.17 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.20 p.m.—London Relay—'The Stowaway'. A play for broadcasting by R. Matthews. The 'Orchus', a nondescript tramp steamer of about 3,500 tons, is 48 hours out from port when a mysterious stowaway is discovered on board. Production by Leslie Stokes.
7.45 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.
"Patience"
Prithee, Pretty Maiden....Winifred Lawson—Leslie Rands Duet with Orchestra.
Let The Merry Cymbals Sound (Finale, Act 1) ....D. Oldham—D. Fancourt—M. Green—G. Baker and Chorus of Girls and Dragoons with Orch.
Stay, We Implore You (Finale, Act 1)....D. Fancourt—D. Oldham—G. Baker and Mixed Chorus with Orchestra.
Oh, Fortune, To My Aching Heart Be Kind (Finale, Act 1 Cont.)... G. Baker—B. Devlin—W. Lawson—D. Fancourt—M. Green—M. Eyre—N. Brierciffe with Orch.
8 p.m.—Local Time" Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—A Variety Programme.
Vocal—Drinks All Round. Columbia Vocal Gem Company with two Pianos.
Piano Solo—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 11 .....Charlie Kunz with Rhythm Accomp.
Humorous—The 'Ole In The Ark (Marriott Edgar) ....Stanley Holloway with Piano.
Orchestra—The Happy Whistler (Baptiste—Alexander) ..... Bilon Accordeon Orchestra with whistling.
Humorous—Jonah And The Grampus (Marriott Edgar) .....Stanley Holloway with Piano.
Orchestra—Souvenir Of Love—Fox-Trot (From 'Sailing along'); Trusting My Luck—Fox-Trot (From 'Sailing along'); Gaby Fox And His Orchestra vocal refrain by Denny Dennis.
Orchestra—True Confession—Fox-Trot (From the film); There's A Gold Mine In The Sky—Fox-Trot (C. & N. Kenny)....Roy Fox And His Orchestra vocal refrain by Denny Dennis.
8.45 p.m.—London Relay — 'Monkey Wrenches in the Trade Machine'—2. A talk by Sir Josiah Stamp.
9 p.m.—London Relay—'In And Out Of Rhythm'. Round 1. A contest between sweet and swing music with Len Haynes (sweet) and Dinah Miller (swing). Refereed by John Dodsworth and supported by The Beau Brummels.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.58 p.m.—Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone).
She Shall Have Music (H. J. Brandon & Alan Murray).
Son O' Mine (From 'Freebooter Songs').
The Rebel (From 'Freebooter Songs')
10 p.m.—London Relay—'Journey To Scilly'. An account of a visit made to the Islands in early March, 1938.
10.20 p.m.—Beethoven—Concerto No. by Artur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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7.00 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Monkey Wrenches in the Trade Machine.' A talk by Sir Josiah Stamp.
7.20 a.m.—'In and Out of Rhythm.' A contest between sweet and swing music.
7.50 a.m.—'America Speaks—6: Education.' A talk by J. B. Conant, President of Harvard University. A series of talks chronicled from the U.S.A. to the British Empire.
8.10 a.m.—'The Old Folks at Home.' A programme in which we hope to bring back memories of popular melodies of yesterday.
8.50 a.m.—The News & Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 9 a.m.
9.15 a.m.—Close down.

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Frequencies—
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GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s. (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)
10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Backstage at Bellahouston—The Dominions.' Alastair Bortnwick reviews progress at the Empire Exhibition.
11 a.m.—The Chamber Music of Grieg.
11.20 a.m.—'The Stowaway.' A play for broadcasting.
11.45 a.m.—The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
12.45 p.m.—'Monkey Wrenches in the Trade Machine.' A talk by Sir Josiah Stamp.
1 p.m.—'In and Out of Rhythm.' A contest between sweet and swing music.
1.30 p.m.—The News & Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
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2.20 p.m.—Frank Walker and his Octet.
2.55 p.m.—'From Putney to Mortlake.' A recorded programme on next Saturday's Boat Race and Boat Races of the past.
3.15 p.m.—'Take your Choice.' A weekly entertainment feature.
4 p.m.—The News & Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—Song Recital by Anne Wood (Contralto).
4.40 p.m.—'World Affairs.' A talk by J. L. Brierly, Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.
5 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Beautiful Defence

In bridge, exactly as in warfare, the highest possible strategy is to drive a separating wadge between two converging forces of the enemy. As applied specifically to bridge these tactics involve all kinds of maneuvers to cut the communications between dummy and the closed hand. At times this is a simple process; perhaps the elementary holdup play of an ace will effect the desired result. At other times the problem is more involved. Consider the subtlety of the defence in the following hand:

North, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S.—Q J 10 5
H.—K J 7 6 4 3 2
D.—J
C.—9

WEST	EAST
S.—6 2	S.—7 4 3
H.—A Q 5	H.—9
D.—A 8 4 3	D.—K Q 10 5 2
C.—7 6 3 2	C.—K Q J 4

SOUTH
S.—A K 9 8
H.—10 8
D.—9 7 6
C.—A 10 8 5

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1 club	Pass
2 heart	Pass	1 spade	Pass
4 spades	Pass	Pass	Pass

North's last bid was of highly questionable merit. In fact, it was a neck-stretcher of the first water. A single spade raise, or a heart rebid, would have been more logical. Nevertheless, the opponents had to extend themselves to defeat the ambitious contract.

West opened the diamond ace and, when he saw the dummy and the menace of the long heart suit, properly decided that the pressing need was to shorten dummy's trumps, which might be vital entries at a later stage. East's play of the diamond eight on the ace was confirmation of this judgment. West, therefore, continued with another diamond lead, which dummy ruffed. Declarer now saw that it would be impossible to establish the heart suit by ordinary play. All of dummy's trumps would have to be drawn in order to draw opponents' trumps. Then, no matter how favourably the outstanding heart honours lay, the opponents would of course hold up the ace for at least one round, thus making it impossible to bring in the suit. A straight cross-ruff could not work, because declarer could not get back and forth without exhausting too many trumps.

On this analysis declarer made the good play of leading away from dummy's king-jack of hearts toward his own ten. West won with the queen and stuck to his plan of forcing dummy by leading another diamond. The spade ten ruffed this and the heart king was led. West won and, counting that the declarer was now out of diamonds, shifted to a club. Declarer won and led a low spade to dummy's jack, following this with the lead of the heart jack.

If East had slipped at this point it would have been all over. Had he ruffed, as declarer had tempted him to do, declarer could have overruffed with a high trump and re-entered dummy with the spade queen. The outstanding trumps would have fallen on this round and the entire heart suit would have been good. East, however, was alert. He knew that partner would be able to ruff the next round of hearts and this, by waiting, he could observe his own long trumps. He therefore discarded his diamond, and from that point declarer had no play for his contract.

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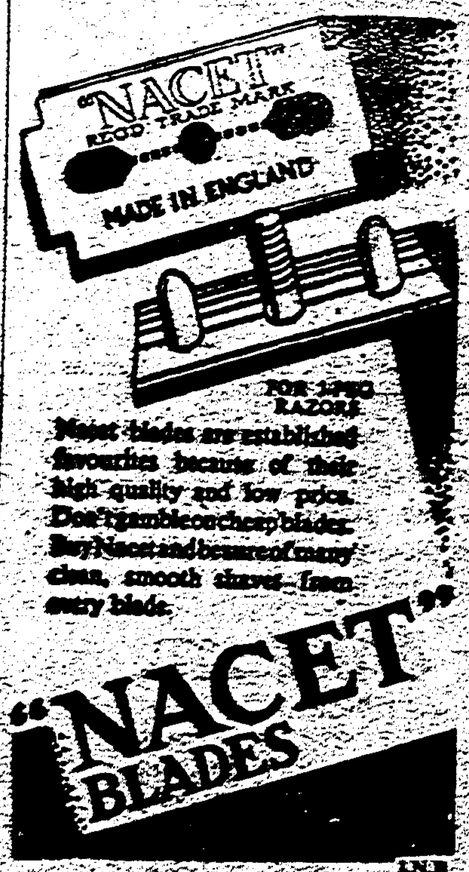

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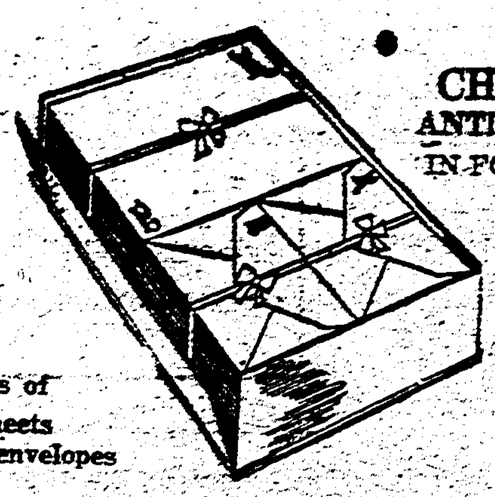

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PLEBISCITE CAMPAIGN

Berlin, To-day.

The plebiscite campaign is now in full swing in Germany and Austria, and political mass meetings were held yesterday in practically all towns of Germany.

Nearly all the Nazi Ministers made speeches at the demonstrations, largest of which were at Hamburg, Vienna, and Graz.

In Hamburg, Herr Hitler addressed a huge meeting at the Hanseatic Salle.

In Vienna, the Propaganda Minister, Dr. Joseph Goebbels, spoke at a mass meeting, and announced "The Austrian press and the world of art will be purged of Jewish influence."

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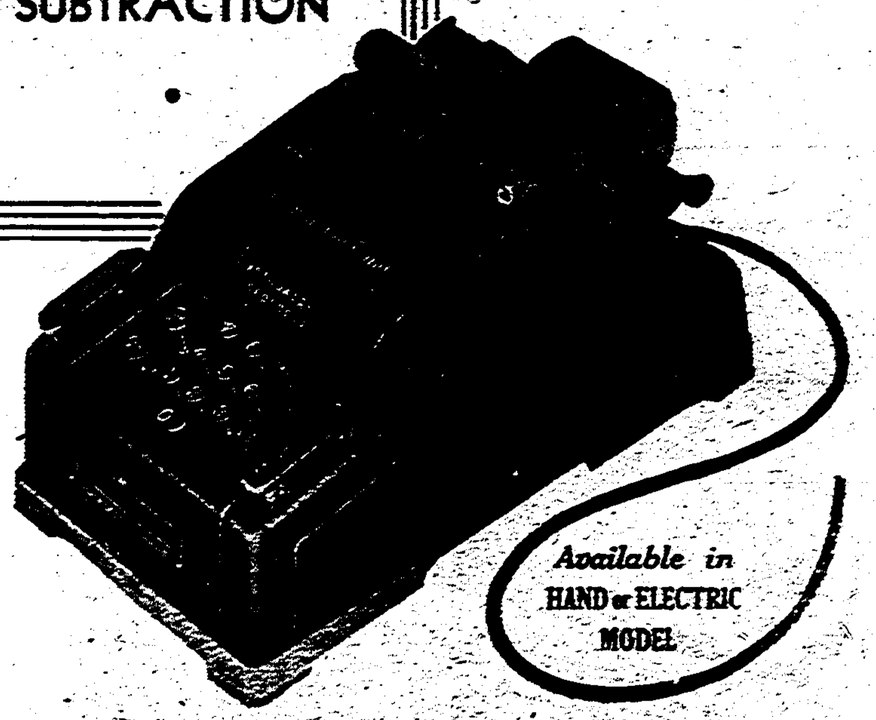

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